



LISTEN UP!

Mark 4v1-20 – Whoever has ears to hear



STEP 1 – Find the book of **Mark** in your Bibles...

STEP 2 – Follow in the Bible and **listen up!**

Big Question...

When God is speaking are you **really** L _____ ?

Who's who in the parable...

Seed = W _____ Sower = J _____ Soil = H _____ H _____

Understanding the parable...

Match up the soil type with what happens to the seed...

1) P _____

Bumper Crop



2) R _____ P _____

Snatched away



3) T _____ G _____

Choked



4) G _____ S _____

Withers



Write down a few things in the bubble that have the potential to be thorns in your heart and choke the seed of God's word...

What does the Bible tell us to do with these things?
Check out Hebrews 12v1 if you need a clue!

T _____ O _____

E _____ that H _____



Chat over lunch about how you do that...

Applying the parable...



How do we prepare our hearts to welcome God's word?

Work through the 6 practical steps below and chat over lunch about what you're going to do differently next week!!

Step 1: P _____ H _____

Step 4: T _____ N _____

Step 2: R _____ P _____

Step 5: D _____ D _____

Step 3: O _____ B _____

Step 6: P _____ A _____

Sharing the word...



What can we learn from Jesus (the ultimate farmer!) – circle as appropriate...

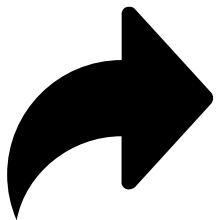
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| 1) Scatter God's word... | <i>Nowhere</i> | <i>Somewhere</i> | <i>Everywhere</i> |
| 2) Call people to... | <i>Listen</i> | <i>Think</i> | <i>Act</i> |

Pray... Father in heaven, help my heart to be good soil

STEP 3 – During / After the preach...



Have you got any questions about what you've heard? If so write them down...



What is God calling you to do? Write it down...



What do you need God's help with? Write it down...