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## MESSAGE REVIEW

Jesus tells the parable of the farmer scattering seed to explain how personal and spiritual growth happens in our lives. The seed is God's Word and the soil is our hearts. If the seed is going to produce anything, it has to push up through the soil, as well as the thorns that threaten to choke the life out of it. There will be thorns and weeds in our lives, but God wants to take what happens to us to accomplish His work in us, so He can fulfill His purpose through us.

## WARM UP QUESTION

What is your biggest pet peeve?

- 1** Read Luke 8:7 and 8:11-15. Why do you think Jesus had to explain the parable again to the disciples?
- 2** What does Jesus say the thorns represent? What are the biggest thorns in your own life when it comes to hearing the Word?
- 3** Read Isaiah 50:4-5. What do you think it takes to truly hear God's words of wisdom, and how can you use that to keep the thorns away from the seed? Have you had a time where you saw heart transformation from intentionally seeking God's Word?
- 4** Read Ezekiel 36:25-27. What does God use to help the Israelites in their half-heartedness?
- 5** Read John 14:26. When do you see the Spirit in your own life? When was the last time you intentionally sought out the Spirit to reveal God's teaching to you?

## RESPOND

What have you learned about God from His Word? How is He asking you to apply it to your life? When will you apply it?

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