

The Gospel According to Luke
Can You Hear Me Now?

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“He who has ears to hear, let him hear.” (8:8)

How do you hear God’s word?

Is your “soil”...

- **Hard?** *“The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved.” (8:12)*
- **Rocky?** *“And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away.” (8:13)*
- **Thorny?** *“And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature.” (8:14)*
- **Good?** *“As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.” (8:15)*

“Take care then how you hear, for to the one who has, more will be given, and from the one who has not, even what he thinks that he has will be taken away.” (8:18)

[But he answered them, “My mothers and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it.”] (8:21)