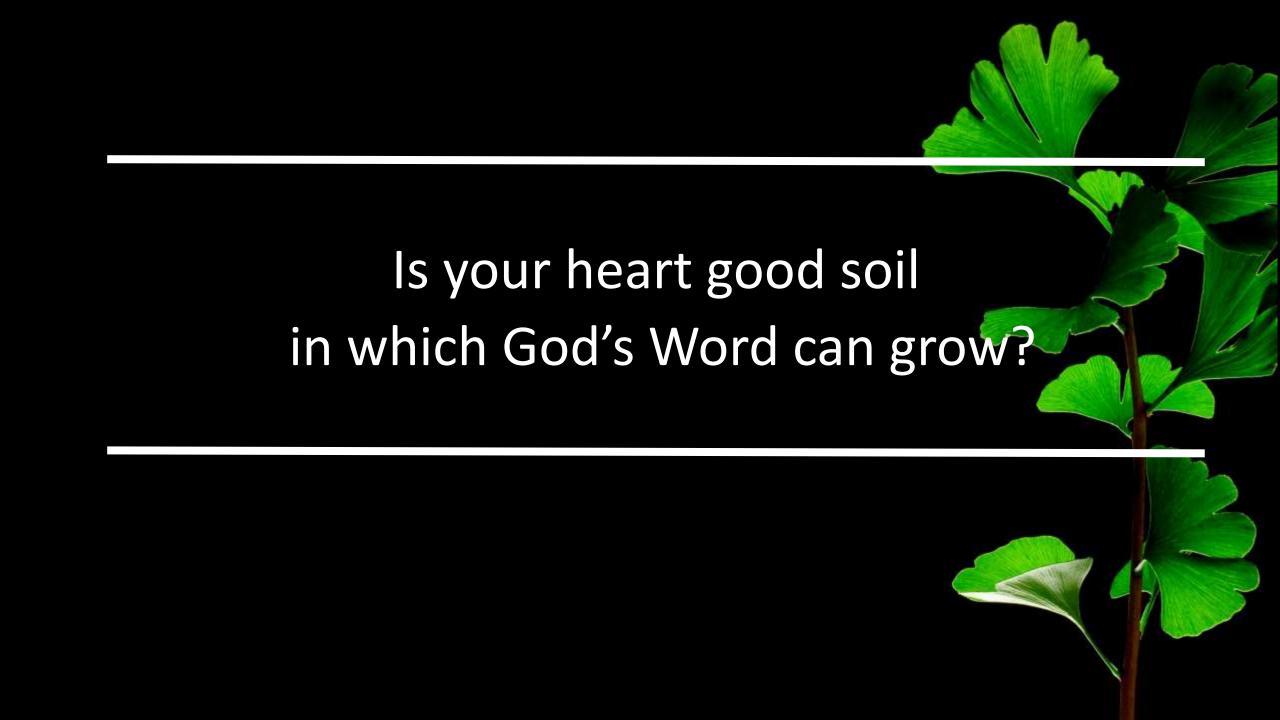




THE GOSPEL OF MARK



"THE GOOD NEWS IN 280 CHARACTERS OR LESS."



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Mark 4:8-9

8 And other seeds fell into good soil and produced grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold." 9 And he said, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

Mark 4:10-12

And when he was alone, those around him with the twelve asked him about the parables. 11 And he said to them, "To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside everything is in parables, 12 so that

"they may indeed see but not perceive, and may indeed hear but not understand, lest they should turn and be forgiven." ESV

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