Mark 4: 1-20

1. Out of the four kinds of "ground/soil" mentioned in Mark 4:1–20, which do you identify with the most when it comes to how you respond to the Word of God?

2. Why does Jesus caution against initial signs of enthusiasm that wane after encountering difficulties (Mark 4:5-6, 16-17) and warn against the dangers of worldly cares, temptations and inordinate desires (Mark 4:7, 18-19)?

3. How can we encourage one another and strive to be the "good soil" in the Parable of the Sower?