

Keep on Sowing

Throughout history, many people have asked, *"Why would God want to use me?"* We often focus on our weaknesses, failures, and limitations, assuming God could surely find someone more capable. Yet one of the great truths of Scripture is that God has always worked through ordinary, imperfect people. The Bible is filled with examples. Abraham was old, Sarah doubted, Moses struggled with fear and anger, David committed terrible sins, Jonah ran from God's call, Peter denied Jesus, Paul persecuted the church, and Thomas doubted. None were perfect, yet God used each of them for his purposes. God is not looking for perfect people; he is looking for willing hearts. As Paul reminds us, *"We have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us"* (2 Corinthians 4:7). Psalm 139 tells us that God created us, knows us completely, and has a purpose for our lives. We do not need to prove our worth to him. He knows our past, our struggles, and our failures, yet still calls us by grace. The better question is not, *"Why would God use me?"* but rather, *"Lord, how would you like to use me?"*

Jesus' parable of the Sower illustrates this same grace. The seed falls on different kinds of soil - hard paths, rocky ground, thorny places, and good soil. Our lives often resemble these fields. We carry hurts, disappointments, broken relationships, distractions, and sins that can prevent God's Word from taking root. Yet the truth is that God never stops sowing seeds of his love. He never gives up on people, no matter how hardened or broken they may seem.

So this parable reminds us that no heart is beyond God's reach. It also challenges us never to give up praying for others or sharing God's love. Even one seed planted in fertile soil can bring abundant fruit. May we faithfully scatter seeds of hope, trusting that God's grace can transform every life.