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1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

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Unit 25 • Session 1

JESUS TAUGHT IN PARABLES

Matthew 13; Mark 4; Luke 8

IS THE BIBLE TRUE? YES, THE BIBLE IS TRUE AND HAS NO ERROR.

Jesus told a story about a man planting seeds. Jesus began, “A sower went out to plant seeds in his field. Some seeds fell on a hard path. Birds swooped down and ate the seeds.

“Other seeds fell on rocky ground. They sprouted quickly, but the soil was too shallow for roots to grow. When the sun got hot, the plants died. Some seeds fell among thorns. The thorns grew and choked the plants. But some seeds fell on good soil. These seeds grew into healthy plants and made more grain than the farmer had planted!”

Jesus’ disciples asked Him, “Why do You tell stories like this?”

Jesus replied, “Not everyone is ready to understand the truth about God’s kingdom. I speak in parables so that those who are ready will understand.”

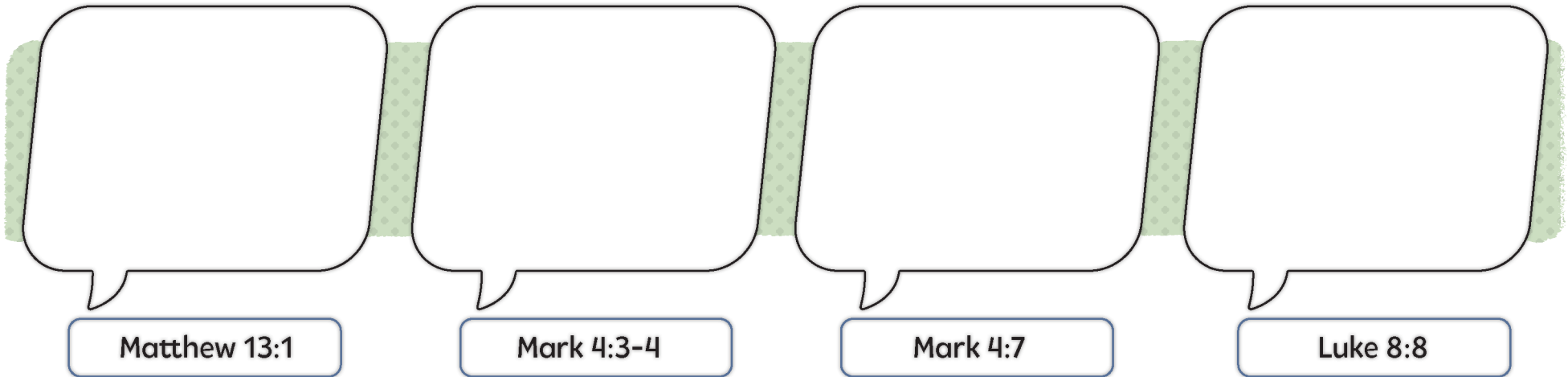
Jesus explained the story. He said, “The seeds on the path are like people who hear the truth but don’t understand it. The evil one snatches away what was planted in their hearts. The seeds on rocky ground are like people who hear the truth and believe at first, but when it becomes hard to follow God’s Word, they give up. The seeds among the thorns are like people who hear the truth, but do not give God’s Word room to grow in their hearts. But the seeds in the good soil are like people who understand the gospel and let it change their lives. They grow in faith and share the good news!”

Christ Connection: Not everyone who hears about Jesus believes in Him. Some people don’t understand the gospel, and some people care more about the things of this world than they do God’s kingdom. But people who believe in Jesus and follow Him will grow to be like Him and will share His good news so others can believe too.

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR RESOURCES TO USE AT HOME!



Draw It Out | Read the verses from today's story and draw a picture that describes what is happening in each verse.



Matthew 13:1

Mark 4:3-4

Mark 4:7

Luke 8:8

True or False | Circle statements that are true from today's story. Draw an X over those that are false.

