



SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Isaiah 55: 10-11
Psalm 64: 10-14
Romans 8: 18-23
Matthew 13: 1-23
(or 13: 1-9)



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This imagery of rain, soil and growth connects beautifully with our call to care for our common home and to live a spirituality rooted in creation. **Nature itself reveals the generosity and faithfulness of God.** The earth receives the rain with openness and bears fruit abundantly. Likewise, our hearts are called to become fertile soil where God's Word can take root and flourish.

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches the parable of the sower and the seed. The seed represents the Word of God generously scattered among all people. Yet the growth of the seed depends on the condition of the soil. Jesus is the Logos, the seed sown among us. He wants to take root in us.

Jesus invites us to reflect on the "soil" of our own hearts. Are we open, humble and receptive to God's Word, or are we distracted by selfish desires, indifference and worldly concerns?

The parable also reminds us of our responsibility towards creation. Good soil must be cared for, protected and nurtured. When humanity abuses the environment through greed, wastefulness and neglect, creation suffers. St. Paul, in the Second Reading, tells us that the whole of creation groans in pain, longing for freedom and renewal. The suffering of the earth reflects the consequences of human sin and irresponsibility. Yet Paul also speaks of hope — the hope of resurrection, healing and the glory that awaits the children of God.

As Christians, we are called not only to hear the Word but to live it. Caring for our common home is part of our faith and mission. We must take responsibility for our environment which God has entrusted to us. Through sustainable ways of living, gratitude for nature, responsible use of resources and compassion for all living things, we become faithful stewards of God's gifts. May our hearts become rich soil that bears fruit abundantly, so that through us, God's Word may bring healing, renewal and hope to our wounded world. ✕

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ECOLOGY:
Care of Our
Common Home



God's Word: Seeds of Renewal for Creation

The readings today invite us to reflect deeply on the power of God's Word and our relationship with creation. In the First Reading, Isaiah uses the beautiful analogy of rain and snow falling upon the earth. They do not return to the heavens without first watering the soil, nourishing the earth and bringing forth life. In the same way, the Word of God is powerful and purposeful, it never returns empty. It provides spiritual growth and sustenance for us.