

Year 3

Week 127

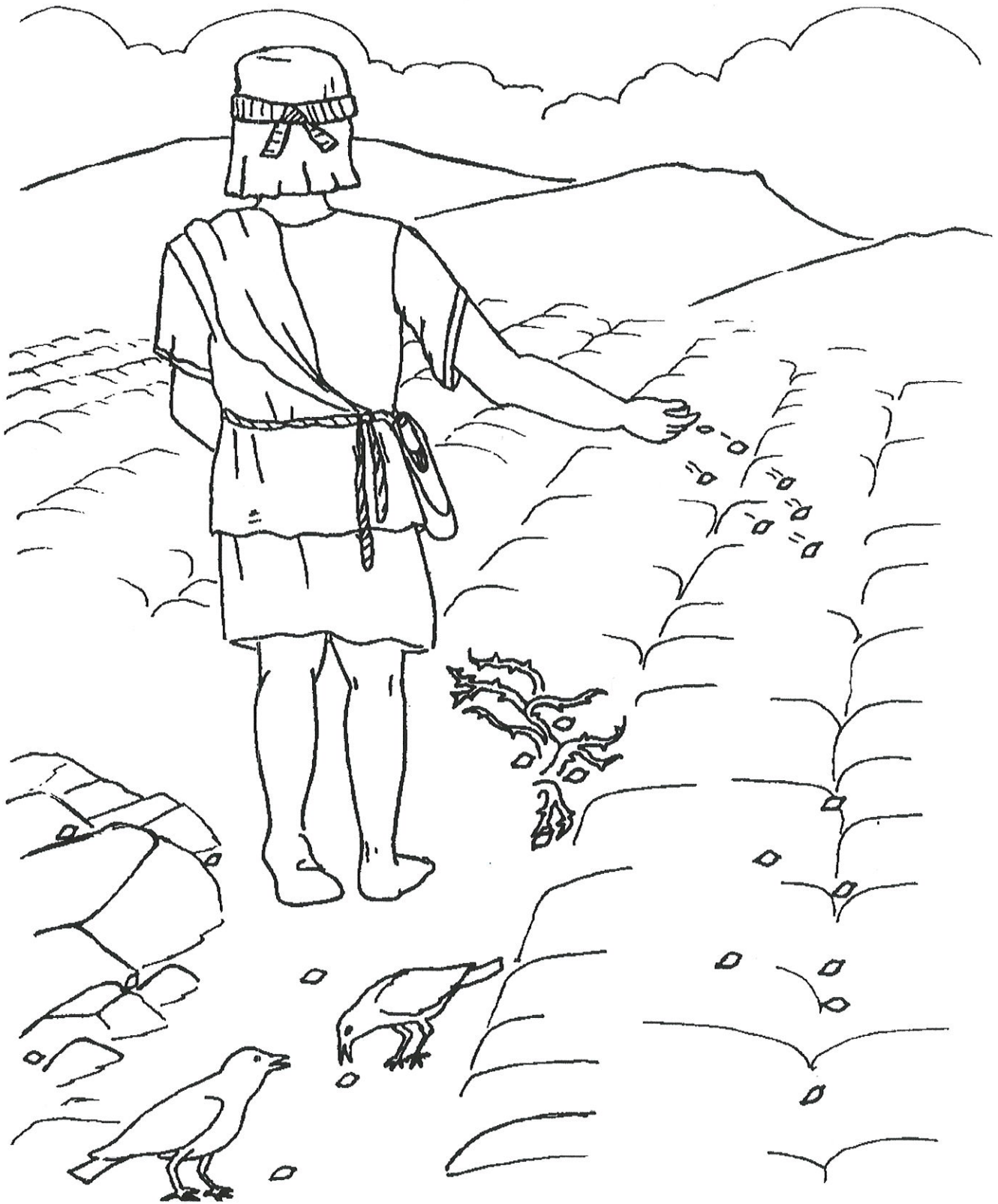
Jesus Teaches in Parables/Parable of the Sower

Scriptures: Mark 4:1-20, Luke 8:1-18

Key Verse: Luke 8:15 “But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.”

Key Points:

1. A great crowd had gathered from every city. He spoke to them in a parable.
2. A farmer went out to plant seed by broadcasting it. Some seed fell where the birds could easily eat it. Some seed fell on rocks and sprouted only to die. Some seed started to grow, but thorns choked it out. Some seed did land on good soil and grew to produce a good crop.
3. The disciples asked him what the parable meant. Jesus explained the parable. The seed is God’s word. Those by the wayside are those who believe but the devil takes the word out of their heart lest they be saved. The ones on the rock are those who hear but have no root and fall away. Those in the tares consumed by the cares of the world and bear no fruit. Those who are the good soil are those who hear with a good and noble heart and bear good fruit with patience and maturity.

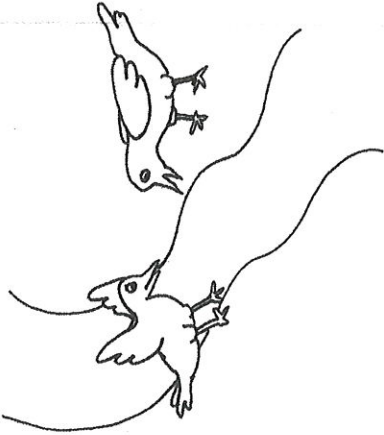


Jesus told the parable of a sower who went out to sow his seed.
LUKE 8:4-18

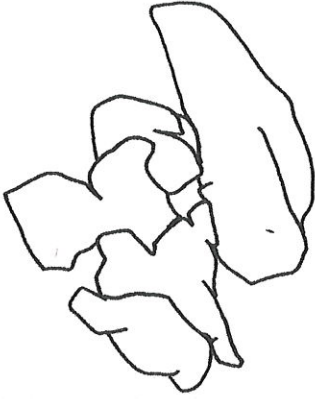
"A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed..."



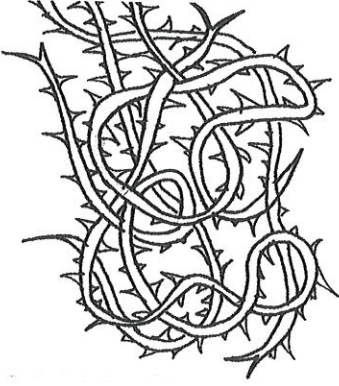
Some fell along the path and the birds came and ate it up...



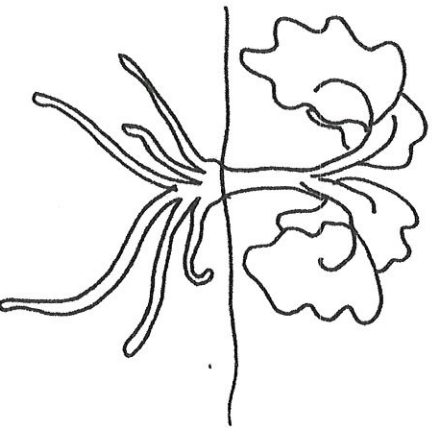
Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil...



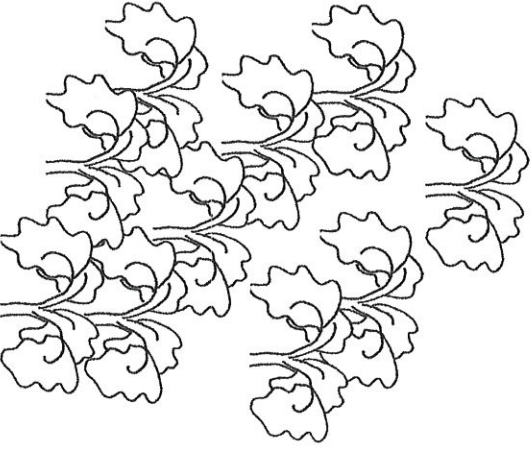
Other seeds fell among thorns which grew up and choked the plants



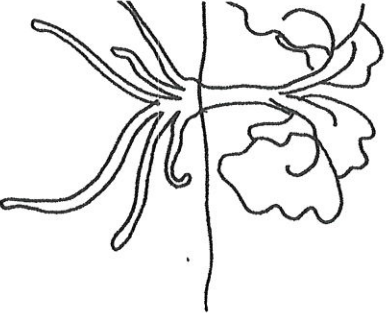
The Parable of the Sower



-- a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."



Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a good crop



In the parable of the sower, which creature ate the seeds?



PARABLE OF THE SOWER

(LUKE 8:4-18)

MEMORY VERSE:

"Therefore take heed how you hear. For whoever has, to him more will be given; and whoever does not have, even what he seems to have will be taken from him." LUKE 8:18

"A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed..." LUKE 8:5

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

1. "...some fell by the (**SEASHORE, WAYSIDE**); and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it." LUKE 8:5
2. "Some fell on (**ROCK, GRASS**); and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture." LUKE 8:6
3. "And some fell among (**BUSHES, THORNS**), and the (**THORNS, BUSHES**) sprang up with it and choked it." LUKE 8:7
4. "But others fell on (**GOOD, BAD**) ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold..." LUKE 8:8

"Then His disciples asked Him, saying, 'What does this parable mean?' " LUKE 8:9

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| | Verse 12 | Those by the wayside have never heard the Word of God. | TRUE | FALSE |
| | Verse 13 | The ones on the rock receive the Word with joy, but fall away. | TRUE | FALSE |
| | Verse 14 | The ones who fell among thorns bear great fruit. | TRUE | FALSE |
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FILL IN THE BLANKS:

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The Sower and the Seed

Jesus told many stories about familiar things to help people understand Jesus' messages about God. One of the stories Jesus told was about a farmer who planted seeds. Some of the seed fell on ground the farmer had prepared, but some of the seed fell on rocky places. After Jesus finished telling the story, His disciples wanted to know what it meant.

What Jesus might tell His disciples if He were talking to them today is written below. Use the code to fill in the blanks. When you have completed the puzzle, read what Jesus told His disciples in Matthew 13: 18-23.

Code:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
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Here is the explanation of the story I told about the farmer planting grain:

The hard _____ where some of the seeds fell represents the _____ of a person who hears the _____ about the _____ of God and doesn't understand it; then _____ comes and snatches away the seeds from the person's _____.

The shallow, _____ soil represents the heart of a _____ who _____ the message and receives it with real _____, but he or she doesn't have much depth in his or her _____, and the seeds don't _____ very deeply. After a while when _____ comes, or _____ begins because of his or her beliefs, his or her enthusiasm _____, and the person _____ out.

The ground covered with _____ represents a person who hears the message, but the _____ of this life and the longing for _____ choke out God's Word, and the person does _____ and less for God.

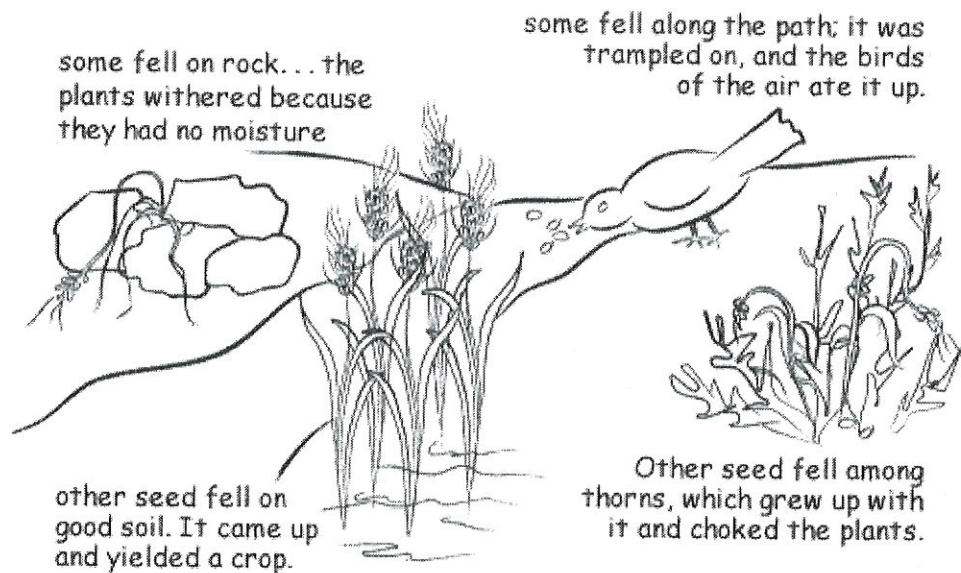
The _____ ground represents the _____ of a person who listens to the message and _____ it and goes out and _____ thirty, _____, or even a _____ others into the Kingdom.

Sowing Seeds

Luke 8:4-15 (NIV)

Jesus often used word pictures to teach the people. These stories were called Parables. They were meant to illustrate some truth. The people did not always understand, but Jesus was happy to give an explanation to those who wanted to know more. A picture story often helps us to see the point being made and to remember it better. One such story is the parable of the Sower in Luke 8:4-15. Below you can see the story in a picture.

A Farmer went out to sow his seed ...



Read Luke 8:11-15 to see how Jesus explained this Parable and fill in the blanks below.
Draw a line from the answer to the part of the picture that illustrates it.

The seed is the _____ of God. (vs.11)

... the _____ comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not _____. (vs.12)	... believe for a while, but in time of _____ they fall away. (vs.13)
... hear, but as they go on their way they are _____ by life's worries, _____ and pleasures, and they do not mature. (vs.14)	... those with a noble and _____, who hear the _____, retain it, and by persevering produce a _____. (vs.15)

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Sower and the Seed Anagram



elnoss _____

hnorst _____

aeilnpx _____

aefmrr _____

adegnr _____

agilnpt _____

deess _____

deesw _____

ckors _____

gginorw _____

Parable of the Sower Luke 8

Will It Grow?

Add the numbers in the box to
get the code number for each
letter. Then solve the puzzle.

Farmers plant seeds in all types of soils. Fertilizer is
used in order to grow a good crop. But the question is
still there—will it grow? Christians spread the Word of
God to all types of listeners. What is necessary for the
seed of faith to grow in each person's heart?

- A 17+34 = _____
- B 28+44 = _____
- C 39+57 = _____
- D 16+65 = _____
- E 62+37 = _____
- F 41+38 = _____
- G 24+33 = _____
- H 47+29 = _____
- I 24+58 = _____
- L 41+25 = _____
- N 23+15 = _____
- O 29+49 = _____
- P 22+11 = _____
- R 55+34 = _____
- S 29+16 = _____
- T 44+26 = _____
- U 13+14 = _____
- V 23+68 = _____
- W 23+19 = _____
- Y 36+25 = _____

72 27 70

70 76 99

45 99 99 81

78 38

57 78 78 81

45 78 82 66

45 70 51 38 81 45

79 78 89

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38 78 72 66 99

51 38 81

57 78 78 81

76 99 51 89 70

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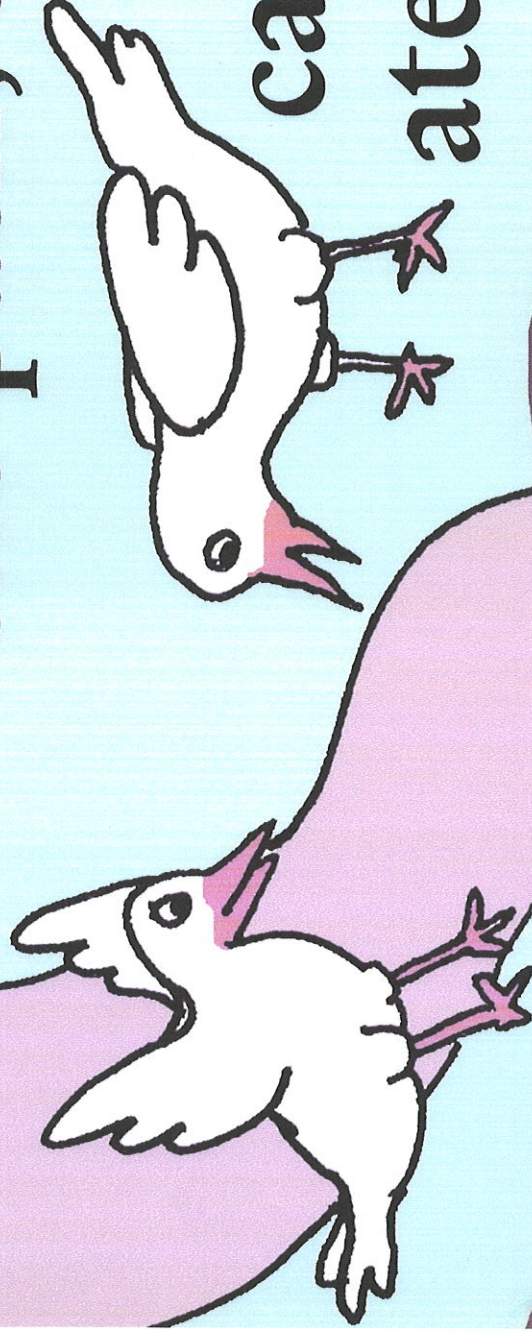
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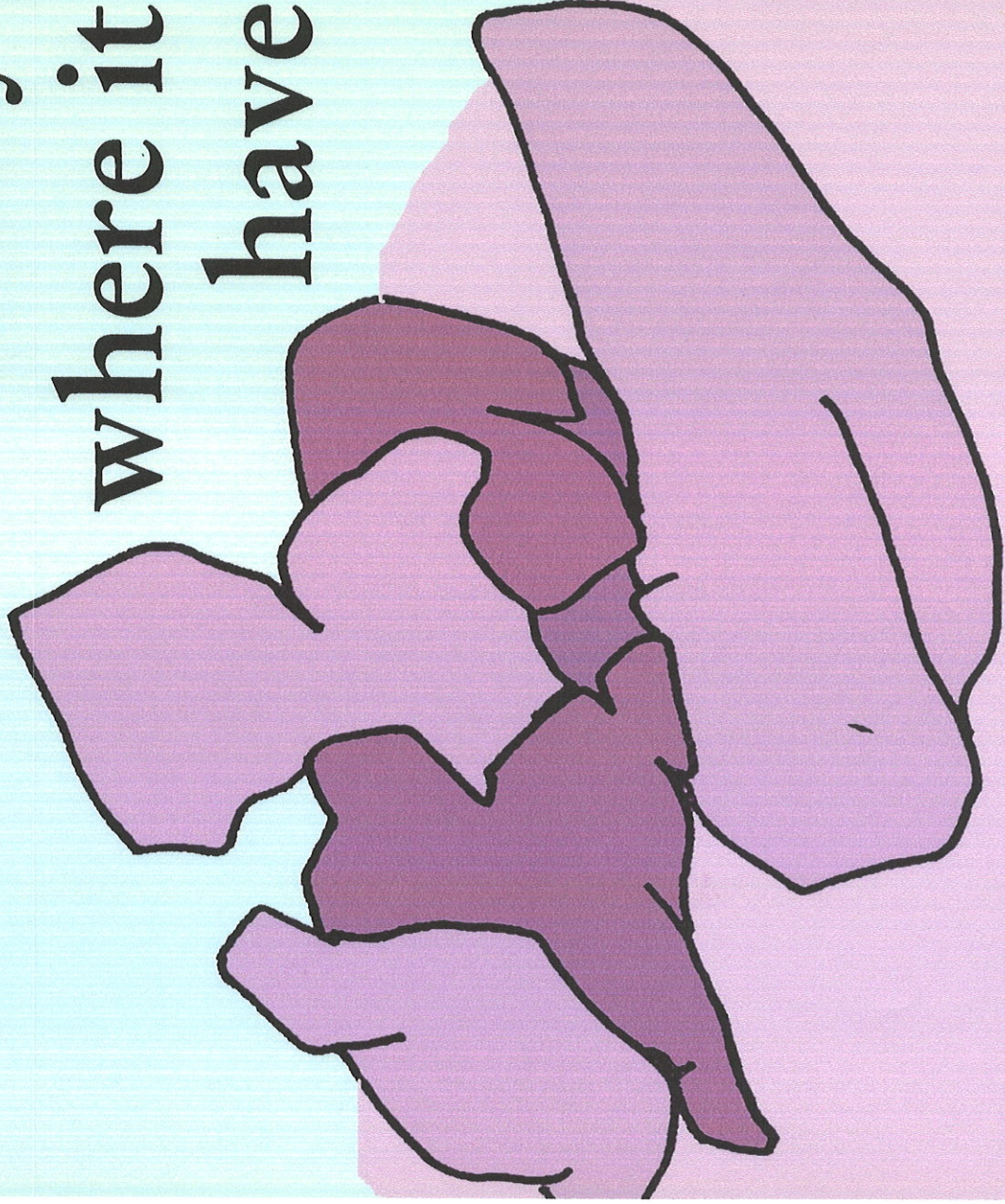
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the seed....



Some fell along
the path, and the
birds
came and
ate it up...



**Some fell on
rocky places,
where it did not
have much
soil...**



Other seed
fell among
thorns
which
grew up
and
choked
the plants...



Still other seed fell on good
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produced a crop

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