## Religious Seeds, and What They Will Naturally Produce

Scripture Reading: Luke 8:4-15

- A. Read 1 Peter 1:17-25 carefully.
- B. One of Jesus' favorite ways of teaching was by using agricultural illustrations (sowing seed, grains springing forth, harvest time, laborers in a vineyard, soils, tares, wheat, etc).
- C. And the inspired writers of the rest of the New Testament certainly used this analogy as well.
  - 1. Romans 1:16-17; Luke 8:11
  - 2. Every Christian in the New Testament was a result of **sowing spiritual seed** in the heart, which in turn produced a **belief-based response** (*John 20:30-31; Romans 10:17*).
  - 3. Churches were planted when the seed of the kingdom was sown and people responded.
- D. The New Testament contains a beautiful picture of simple, pure, unadulterated Christianity.

## I. Four General Principles of Seed-Sowing

- A. Seeds contain \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Seeds produce after their own \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Seeds can be \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. People can honestly \_\_\_\_\_\_ the wrong seed.
- II. Mixed Seeds that are Being Sown Today

## III. But What About That Beautiful Picture of Simple, Pure, Unadulterated Christianity?