

## Learn to sow good seeds and fish for souls

Main verse: Mark 4: 3-20

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### #1 Pray – Seek & Save

“God give me your heart God for family & friends and neighbors”

Luke 19:9-11 (NIV) *Zacchaeus*

2 Peter 3:9 (NIV) *God desires ... everyone to come to repentance.*

John 15:22 (NIV) *If I had not come ... they have no excuse for their sin.*

### #2 Know your tools – read & watch

2 Timothy 2:15 *workers not ashamed*

### #3 Listen & Be Sensitive – Learn to listen

*Listen for Key words – look beyond outward words or conduct*

James 1:19 [ Listening and Doing ] ... quick to **listen**, slow to speak

### #4 Be prepared - Have pocket pack & tool or tackle box

I Peter 3:15-16 Always be prepared to give an answer ... give the reason for the hope that you have... this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who maliciously speak against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.

### #5 Open your mouths – SPEAK Romans 10:17 ...faith comes from hearing

**Share with Love "Love can not be silent" "Sin of silence"**

Mark 4:15 ... give an answer to everyone ... do this with gentleness and respect,

Luke 4:21 ... saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

Matthew 13:16-17 (NIV) 16 ... ears because they **hear**. ... see it, and to hear what you hear but did not **hear it**.

In the Book of ACTS the word ‘they spoke’ **appears 17 times**.

The word **Hear appears 112 times** in the New Testament.

*Within our minds - 100% internal conflict*

**A) Wrestle - Struggle**

**Ephesians 6: 10-12 (KJV)**

<sup>12</sup> For we **wrestle** not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

**Ephesians 6: 10-12 (MSG) Message - A Fight to the Finish**

<sup>10-12</sup> And that about wraps it up. God is strong, and he wants you strong. So take everything the Master has set out for you, well-made weapons of the best materials. And put them to use so you will be able to stand up to everything the Devil throws your way. This is no afternoon athletic contest that we'll walk away from and forget about in a couple of hours. This is for keeps, a life-or-death fight to the finish against the Devil and all his angels

*If do good and speak correctly, what can you can expect from some people?*

**B) Hated**

**The World Hates the Disciples**

**John 15:18 -25 (NIV)**

<sup>18</sup> "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it **hated** me first.

<sup>19</sup> If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world **hates** you. .... <sup>23</sup> Whoever hates me hates my Father also.

**#7 Expect Joy** (adapted from Mark Allan Williams\* )

- 1. The joy of obeying Jesus.**
- 2. The joy of doing what Jesus did.**
- 3. The joy of helping others know how to be 'born again' spiritually.**
- 4. The joy of making life count.**

Someone asked a great question, "[What are you investing your one and only life in that will last for eternity?](#)" Jesus said to do that!

**\*5 Joyful reasons to be a Disciple-Maker:**

<https://www.markalanwilliams.net/post/5-reasons-to-be-a-disciple-maker>