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Psalm 119:97

⁹⁷Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long.

Mark 4:1-3

¹Again Jesus began to teach by the lake. The crowd that gathered around him was so large that he got into a boat and sat in it out on the lake, while all the people were along the shore at the water's edge. ²He taught them many things by parables, and in his teaching said: ³"Listen!"

Mark 4:3-8

³"Listen! A farmer went out to sow his seed. ⁴As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. ⁶But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. ⁷Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants, so that they did not bear grain. ⁸Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up, grew and produced a crop, multiplying thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times."

Unusual characteristics of Jesus' parable:

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Genesis 26:12

¹²Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year reaped a hundredfold, because the LORD blessed him.

Mark 4:14

¹⁴"The farmer sows the word."