Study 7 - Luke 8v4-9v9



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- 3. What are the obstacles to the growth of 'the seed'? What are the greatest obstacles to your own fruitfulness?
- 4. Why might Jesus think it necessary for us to know about the different outcomes when 'the seed' is sown?
- 5. How are 8:16-18 and 8:19-21 connected to the parable of the sower?
- 6. Looking at the whole of 8:4-21 what is the right way to listen to the word of God?
- 7. Reread 8:19-21. What privilege is connected to your response to the word of God? What is the relationship between this privilege and the word of God?

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10.	What is the restored man like after Jesus helps him?
11.	Look at 8:40-55 trying to find similarities and differences between Jairus and the bleeding woman. What do both Jairus and the woman with the bleeding condition believe about Jesus? How do their physical responses to Jesus mirror each other and what does this reveal about the appropriate way to approach Jesus? (v41 and v47)
Tak	ing it all together
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13.	How does the man saved from demon possession's response to Jesus in 8:38-39 provide an answer to the question that both the disciples and Herod have about Jesus in 8:25 and 9:9? (See Psalm 107:23-29 for further evidence of the same point).
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