

August 27, 2023

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY

Touching Tomorrow Today!

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"Seeds We Sow"

Scripture: St. Matthew 13:1-9 (New Revised Standard Version)

¹ That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ If you have ears, hear!"

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~ SERMON NOTES ~

The sower in today's parable was sowing the seed in an extravagant, seemingly wasteful way. The sower gave no thought as to where the seed might land...he or she just kept spreading the seed and leaving the growth and harvest to a higher power.

In short, this parable is telling us...don't stop! Keep doing the work that God has called us to do, and leave the rest with God. Consider it this way:

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