

## JESUS STORIES: SEEDS OF LIFE

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### BIG IDEA

A prepared heart will produce a fruitful life.

### OUTLINE

#### Vision:

- Spiritual growth matters
- God is a sower
- Moments of awe & beauty
- Soil determines possibility of fruitfulness
- Obstacles influence or ruin fruitfulness
- You can be good soil—Spiritual insight matters

#### Four Elements of Good Soil:

- Receptivity
- Rootedness
- Grit
- Action

Growth is God's work

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Which soil do you most resemble?
2. What is your hope or goal for spiritual growth in 2018?
3. What are the obstacles or challenges that could deter your growth in Christ?
4. What are the best spiritual practices you can put into action to help you to grow? Be specific.

### NEXT STEPS

- I will begin a Bible reading plan this week or I will join a Small Group. Who can you "sow" God's Word with this week?