

Is There Grass on Your Path?

Luke 8:1-8

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Luke 8:2 (ESV)

and also some women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out,

Luke 8:3 (ESV)

and Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's household manager, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their means.

Luke 8:4 (ESV)

And when a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to Him, He said in a parable,

Luke 8:5 (ESV)

"A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it.

Luke 8:6 (ESV)

And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture.

Luke 8:7 (ESV)

And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it.

Luke 8:8 (ESV)

And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold." As He said these things, He called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

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Our prayers must be persistent.

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We are spiritually helpless.

We are situationally hopeless.

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Our Father is caring.

Our Father is capable.

Personal Prayer Strategy

- **Sunday** – churches
- **Monday** – family members
- **Tuesday** – friends
- **Wednesday** – praise day
- **Thursday** – lost and missions
- **Friday** – leaders
- **Saturday** – personal needs

Corporate Prayer Strategy

- L-isten
- E-cho
- A-dd on
- P-ersonalize

3 Questions for Unanswered Prayers

- *Are my prayers right?*
- *Is the timing right?*
- *Am I right?*