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Luke 8:11-15 (Series: Peace in the Storms)

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- 2) ¹³The ones on the rock..., when they hear the word, receive it with joy. ...have no root; believe for a while... in time of testing fall away.
- 3) ¹⁴...what fell among the thorns, ...are those who hear, ...go on their way...are choked by cares, riches, pleasures of life, their fruit does not mature.

Category 2: _____ hearts

- 1) ⁸ *And some [seed] fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold.* ¹⁵ *As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.*

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