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"Jesus told the parable of a sower who went out to sow his seed."

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| HOUSE | GALILEE | CROWDS | BOAT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| TAUGHT | STORIES | FARMER | SCATTERING |
| EATEN | ROCKY | SOIL | SUN |
| BECAUSE | ROOTS | CHOKED | GROUND |
| HUNDRED | ATTENTION | MEANING | ROAD |
| MESSAGE | UNDERSTAND | HEARTS | PEOPLE |
| ACCEPT | DEEP | LIFE | TROUBLE |
| THORNBUSHES | WORRYING | FOOLED | RICH |
| PRODUCE | HEAR | MUCH | PLANTED |

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## Crossword:

## Matthew 13:1-9,18-23 (CEV)

## Listen CAREFULLY to the Reading and fill in the blank

 spaces at right. Afterwards you will be able to complete the crossword puzzle below.

10 down)That same day Jesus left the $\qquad$ and went out 15 across)beside Lake $\qquad$ , where he sat down to teach.
22 across) Such large $\qquad$ gathered around him that he 6 down) had to sit in a $\qquad$ , w while the people stood on 26 down) the shore. Then he $\qquad$ them many things by 21 across) using $\qquad$ He said: A farmer went out to
16 across) scatter seed in a field. While the $\qquad$ was 33 across) $\qquad$ the seed, some of it fell along
13 across) the road and was $\qquad$ by birds. Other seeds
20 across) fell on thin, $\qquad$ ground and quickly started
24 down) growing because the $\qquad$ wasn't very deep. But 8 down) when the $\qquad$ came up, the plants were scorched 7 across) and dried up, $\qquad$ they did not have enough 25 across) $\qquad$ . Some other seeds fell where thornbushes
12 down) grew up and $\qquad$ the plants. But a few seeds
30 across) did fall on good $\qquad$ where the plants produced
29 down) a $\qquad$ or sixty or thirty times as much as was
18 across) scattered. If you have ears, pay $\qquad$ $!$
5 down) Now listen to the $\qquad$ of the story about the 32 down) farmer: The seeds that fell along the $\qquad$ are
34 across) the people who hear the $\qquad$ about the kingdom,
17 down) but don't $\qquad$ it. Then the evil one comes
2 across) and snatches the message from their $\qquad$ . The
1 down) seeds that fell on rocky ground are the $\qquad$ who
28 across) gladly hear the message and $\qquad$ it right away. 3 across) But they don't have $\qquad$ roots, and they don't last 9 down) very long. As soon as $\qquad$ gets hard or the message 31 across) gets them in $\qquad$ , they give up. The seeds that 19 down) fell among the $\qquad$ are also people who hear
23 down) the message. But they start $\qquad$ about the
16 down) needs of this life and are $\qquad$ by the desire to
11 across) get $\qquad$ So the message gets choked out, and they 27 down) never $\qquad$ anything. The seeds that fell on good
10 across) ground are the people who $\qquad$ and understand the
4 down) message. They produce as $\qquad$ as a hundred or 14 down) sixty or thirty times what was $\qquad$ -.


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## Answers to this week's crossword and WordSearch puzzles:

## CodeBreakers'

 Solution: People who are ruled by their desires think only of themselves. If we follow our desires, we cannot please God. --Romans 8:5a, 8

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