

Session 1.3: Plant A Garden

Read Matthew 13:3-8, 18-23

Good soil refers to someone who *hears the word and understands it*. These are the ones who produce much fruit. The soil is people.

- If *the word* refers to God's written and spoken communication, how does the community help each other hear and understand it, so it produces fruit?

Read 1 Corinthians 3:6-8

We all have a part in establishing the unique DNA and health of the HC. The Lord takes care of the growth, and our part is planting the seed and watering it.

- What does *planting the seed* mean?
- What does *watering* mean?

In the chart below, identify the *critical* seeds your HC wants to plant. Write other ones you think of in the spaces provided.

Inviting/Inclusive	Bible Study	Prayer/Hearing God	Service Oriented
Flexible/Fluid	Worship	Ethnically Focused	Missional/Outreach
Family/Children	Eat Together	Music	Empower Strengths
Intended to Multiply	Caring/Shepherding	Spiritual Adventure	Establish Beliefs
Active/On The Go	Social/Fellowship	Learning/Stretching	Committed
Deep Relationships	Trust/Safe Place	Advocacy/Support	Fun/Enjoyment

