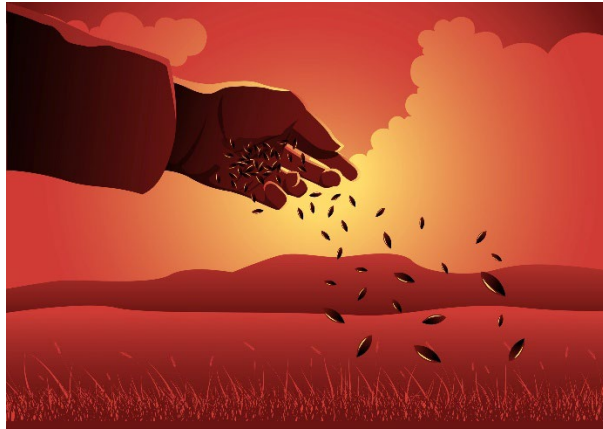


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“Some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit.”  
(Matthew 13:8)



The sower went out to sow. I grew up having a large garden in our yard. In the springtime, my father carefully plowed and tilled the area. The seeds were carefully placed neatly in rows. It was nothing like this sower who just seems to sow as he is walking. Look where it landed? The seeds landed on the path, on rocky ground, among thorns, and in good soil. Is this sower careless, or is there another message?

Later, Jesus explains that the seed is the Word of God. What if we looked at it as the abundance of God? God's desire to communicate is so strong that God takes chances and sows the Word wherever possible. God plants the message in our hearts. God has shared his gifts with me. We are all called to be sowers. Am I willing, like the sower, to share the gifts I received freely? Even the tiniest seed of kindness or compassion can make a difference in someone's life. In a prayer for this Jubilee Year, we pray that the Father may grant us the grace that transforms us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and earth when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, God's glory will shine eternally.

God's abundance is evident in the first reading. No amount of grumbling kept God from caring for the Israelites in the form of manna and quail.

May you experience God's life sprouting and greening abundantly in whatever you do this day.

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