

Quick to Listen, Slow to Speak
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2) Put Away ALL Filthiness and Wickedness

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"As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty." Matthew 13: 22-23

3) Receive with Meekness the Implanted Word:

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*you have been born again not of **seed** which is perishable but **imperishable**, that is, through the **living** and **enduring** word of God. 1 Peter 1:23*