

**Deeper Notes – 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2008**  
**How do we receive the Word of God?**

**Readings** - Luke 8:11-15; 1 Corinthians 3:6-8

**We receive the Word of God Mentally**

(in the brain depending on our intellectual capacity)

**We receive the Word of God Spiritually**

(in the heart depending on our relationship with God at that particular time and the state of our heart)

**The Parable of the Sower**

- The word is the seed
- the heart is the ‘good ground’
- the sower is the preacher.

The brain is ‘shallow ground’

Word is a seed that needs sowing, nurturing and growing on good ground.

Even good ground needs weeding

Good seed on good ground bears fruit

A heart is good ground when God has first refusal on all decisions. What is my ground like?