

**FR.TK.REFLECTIONS 15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY YEAR A-2023.**

**THE SOWER:**

God created all human beings being unique, no one is the same as the other one even what we term as twins. There is always that peculiarity of each individual, which distinguishes each person. We have different **talents, gifts, intelligence and other distinguishing factors**. Through these factors then the world is a better place of **sharing, accommodating and putting along with others** otherwise the world would be most boring place to be in. How are we helping each other with these different talents accorded to us.

It is in the same way in the gospel today we are presented with popular parable of the sower and different landing of the seeds as the sower does his/her job. The word of God is meant to be **life, salvation and power**. It is meant to **heal, rescue and revive**, this is the reason why it gets different **response and absorption from different people according to one's disposition and uniqueness**.

Depending on where you are, planting differs from place to place, you may use tractors, ploughing, oxen or even scatter the seeds in the field. Jesus uses the scattering method in the parable. In the process some seeds landed **on path, rocky ground, thorns and others on good soil** (Mt. 13:4-9). The message of the Lord is so full of **power and salvation** and is being reflected by St. Paul in Second reading (Rom. 8:18-23) that the creation is groaning for God's intervention for rescue.

Accordingly the seeds is good, always the difference lies on the ground it **lands into**. The word of God is totally and fully good **but one's disposition matters**. The main issue to all of us is **what kind of soil are you!** after the sower in persons of **preachers, teachers, parents or guardians** have sown the seed.

Are we the pavement or the path, where the seed, the word of God land on the service and we are **distracted by anything?**, are we the **Rocky**

where we don't **let the word sink** deeply? Do we just reduce the word to only **feelings and nice thoughts** thus not allowing it to shape our life's in a serious manner? Are we filled with **thorny interest,addictions,distractions and other priorities** that **choke the word in our lives**. Note the fact that the word comes to us in the **scriptures and liturgy and put to us by different sowers**. The question is how do we respond to it. Do we **embrace,let it take root and grow in our lives?** what kind of soil are you?

Are you the **good soil** where the seed **germinates and produces big harvest of thirty,fouty,sixty and hundred?** The choice is up to you. Judge the power of the seed **not by seed** that falls on pavement,rock,or thorns,**but** by the seed that falls on the good ground.let's not **judge the church by its sinners but by its saints** that is where we see the **real,power of Gods word**.

The message for us today is to **sow as best as we can,as widely as possible,spread Christs word as effectively and honestly** as we know and **leave the rest to the mysterious chemistry between the seed and the soil**.

***THE SEEDS IS ALWAYS GOOD,THE DISPOSITION WILL DETERMINE THE PRODUCTIVITY:***