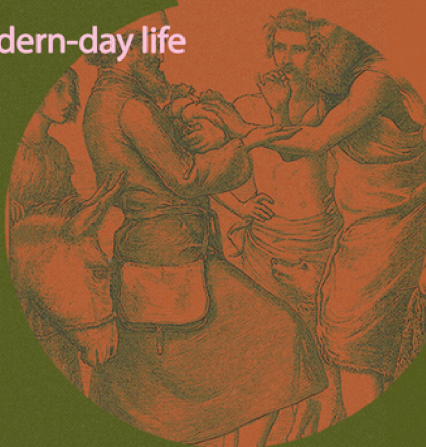
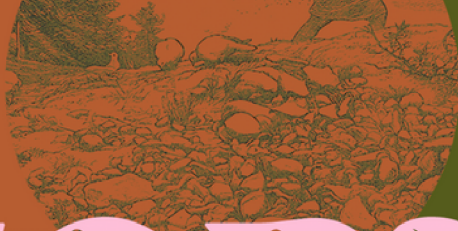


STORY TIME

connecting parables in the bible to modern-day life

WEEK ONE



Parable of the Soils

Matthew 13:3-23

"To those who listen to my teaching, more understanding will be given, and they will have an abundance..." Matthew 13:12 NLT

THE FOOTPATH

THE ROCKY SOIL

THE THORNY SOIL

THE FERTILE SOIL

WHAT'S THE APPLICATION?

Your action steps...



FOOTPATH



ROCKY SOIL



THORNY SOIL



FERTILE SOIL

GO DEEPER THIS WEEK

MEDITATE

As you look at the images above, where do you see yourself? What is an invitation God might be giving you?

STUDY

Read Mark:1-20 and John 10:1-16. What are the common themes? What do you notice as it relates to your life?

READ

The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry, by John Mark Comer

WATCH

Scan and watch this video. What stands out to you?



KEY STEPS TO GET ENGAGED

Over the next several weeks, as we prepare for the end of the year, you're invited to be a part of the story of what God is doing through His church. Take a look over the opportunities below to get involved and make a difference this season:

MAKE CHRISTMAS MERRY AT ECHO

Be a part of making some Christmas magic this year and awaken the wonder of what Christmas really means. There's many ways for you to serve and make a difference at one of our Christmas services this year. See more details and sign up at echo.church/merry

INVITE A FRIEND TO CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Bring a friend with you to one of our many Christmas services at Echo. We have an amazing experience planned for the whole family, fun surprises, gifts, and a whole lot more. See more details at echo.church/christmas

BUY A HAMMOCK, MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Artisan Project seeks to equip women in Brazil with creative skills that help them financially support their families. You can purchase hammocks (they make great Christmas gifts!) made by these women to make a difference in their lives and community! More details at echo.church/global

LEAD A SPRING 2024 ECHO GROUP

Be a part of creating life-giving community by leading or hosting an Echo Group in spring of 2024. See more details and information at echo.church/host

END-OF-YEAR GIVING

Generosity matters. Your giving helps make a difference not just in our community but with many of our local and global partnerships. Finish your year strong, and make the most of your tax-deductible gift by the end of the year at echo.church/give