

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:** According to the Bible, "The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure ...". The Lord, himself will "search the heart and examine the mind, to reward each person according to their conduct, according to what their deeds deserve."

**Congregation:** For this reason, we are encouraged to "above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it." Heart and soul go hand-in-hand in growing out relationship with Jesus Christ and each other.

**ALL:** Let us agree in prayer today that the Lord will create in each of us, a clean heart, renewing our spirits that we might exhibit behaviors pleasing to God. AMEN.

## Scripture Lesson: Mark 4:14-20 (NIV)

**Leader: 14** The farmer sows the word. **15** Some people are like seed along the path, where the word is sown. As soon as they hear it, Satan comes and takes away the word that was sown in them.

**Congregation: 16** Others, like seed sown on rocky places, hear the word and at once receive it with joy. **17** But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away.

**Leader: 18** Still others, like seed sown among thorns, hear the word; **19** but the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful.

**ALL: 20** Others, like seed sown on good soil, hear the word, accept it, and produce a crop—some thirty, some sixty, some a hundred times what was sown." AMEN.

## LISTENING TO THE SERMON

Listen to the message from God's Word. Use this sheet to make personal notes. Go back over them through the coming week. Let God crystalize his truth in your life.

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**Date:** *October 14, 2018*

**Sermon Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Main ideas/points from the Sermon:**

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**Illustrations I want to remember:**

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**What should I do as a result of hearing this Sermon?**

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