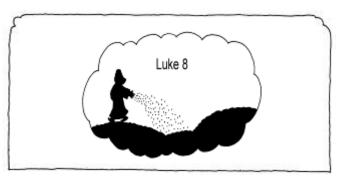
## THE farmer's seed - parable

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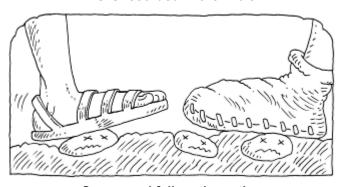
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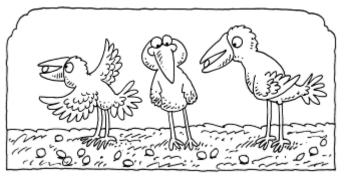
"How can I get to heaven?"
We all ask this question
and Nicodemus asked Jesus too.
This is recorded in the Bible.



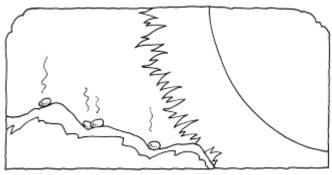
Jesus told a story about a farmer who scattered some seed in a field. He wanted the seed to grow well so he would get a big harvest.



Some seed fell on the path and it got squashed when someone stood on it.

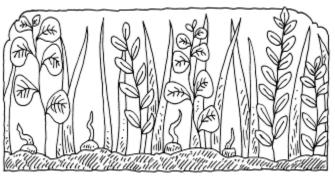


Some seed fell onto good ground, but birds came and ate it. That good seed

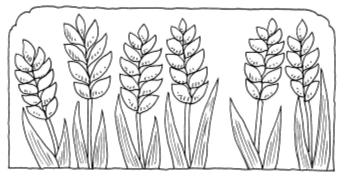


Some seed fell onto rocks where it began to grow.

But the seed died because it was too hot and dry.



Some seeds fell between weeds.
The weeds grew bigger than
the new plants and they
had no room to grow.



But some seed fell onto good ground and grew into big, strong plants. The plants had lots of new seed for the farmer's harvest.



God's words are like seeds that grow in our hearts. I want God's love to grow strong in my heart. I will tell everyone about Jesus.