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What you believe will be tested

In the parable of the farmer sowing seed in his field, birds come immediately in an attempt to rob the field of its new seed. Later, when explaining the parable to His disciples, Jesus reveals that the seed actually represents the Word of God. The field is the heart of man, while the birds represent Satan. Jesus said, "Satan comes immediately to steal away the Word out of their heart."

Satan is our enemy and he will take every opportunity to test what we believe about God, His goodness, and His love. We see this same process in play when the devil spoke to Eve in the Garden of Eden. There he tested what Eve believed about what she knew God had said. Eve failed the test! What will you do when you are tested?

Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, give me the strength to pass each test of life and to hold on to the truths I have learned from Your Word. Do not allow me to be tempted more than I am able to withstand.

Scriptures for Today

Genesis 3:1-5 Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?" And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.'" Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." (NKJV)