

**Series: “Outflow: outward-focused
living in a self-focused world”**

Part Three: “A Multitude of Kisses”

Text: Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23 (NKJV)

1. Get Real About What You Do

A. You cannot see the person’s

Matthew 13:4-8 “Some seed fell by the wayside...some fell on stony places...some fell among thorns...others fell on good ground...” (NKJV)

1. How can we help people to see their need for Christ?

B. You cannot control the person’s

Matthew 13:19-23 ¹⁹“When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside. ²⁰But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles. ²²Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. ²³But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.” (NKJV)

2. What can you do if someone doesn’t accept Christ when you share your faith with them?

2. Get On With What You Do

A. You can

Matthew 13:3 “A sower went out to sow.” (NKJV)

3. What are some ways that you can “sow” God’s Word?

B. You can

Ephesians 1:18,19 ¹⁸“I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you, the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and His incomparably great power for us who believe.” (NIV)

4. What are some ways that you can pray?

C. You can

Matthew 5:16 “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.” (NKJV)

5. What types of “good works” can you do?

3. Get Ready To See God

1 Corinthians 3:6-8 ⁶“I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase. ⁷So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but God who gives the increase. ⁸Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each one will receive his own reward according to his own labor.” (NKJV)

6. How does a partnership with God work?

