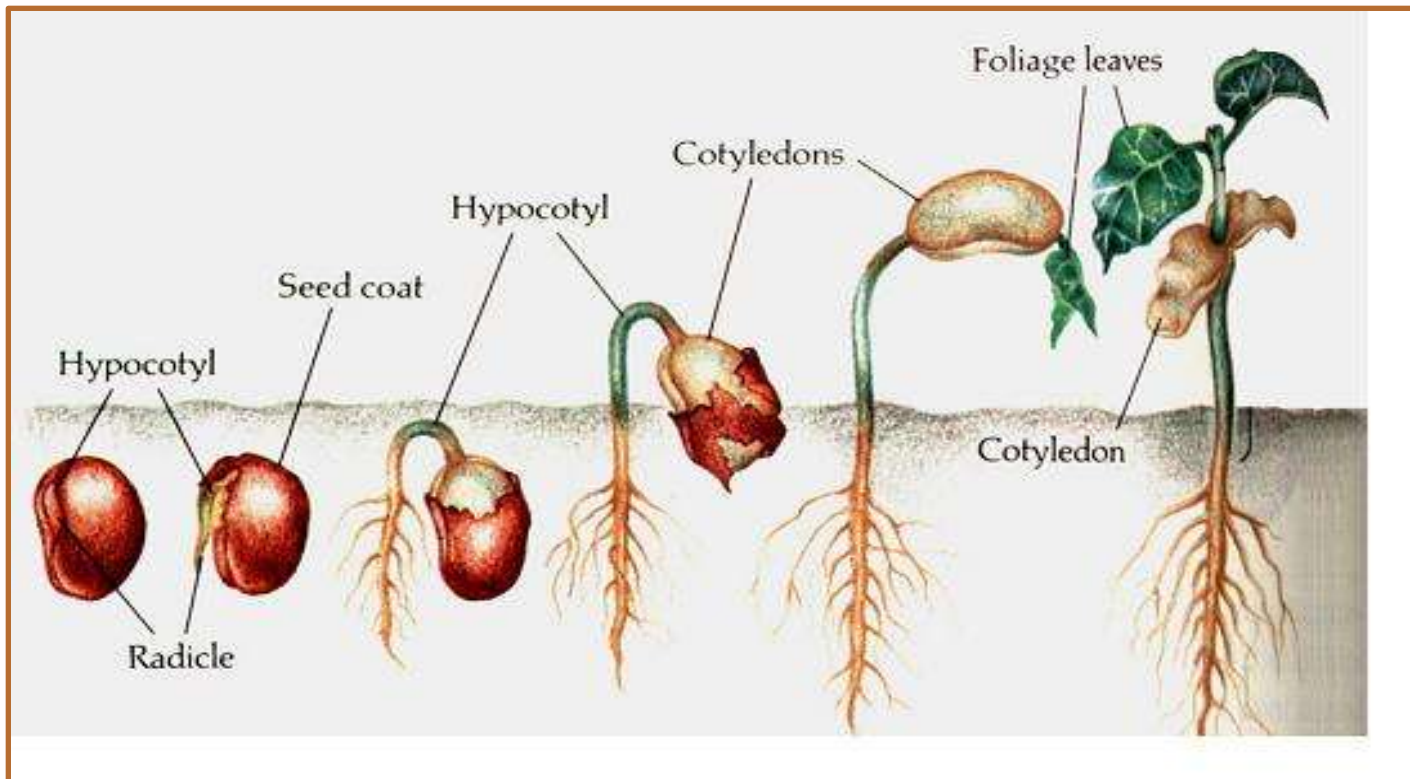


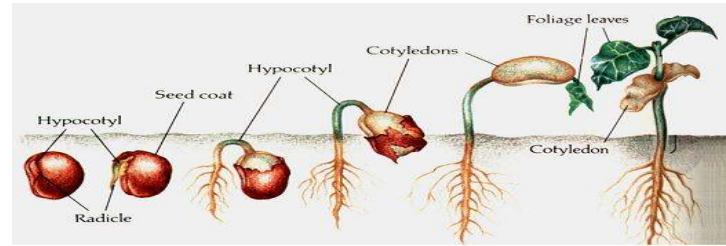
THE SEED



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Matthew 13: 1-6

The Parable of the Sower



¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake. ²Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. ³Then he told them many things in parables, saying:

"A **farmer** went out to sow his **seed**. ⁴As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have **much soil**. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was **shallow**. ⁶But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no **root**.

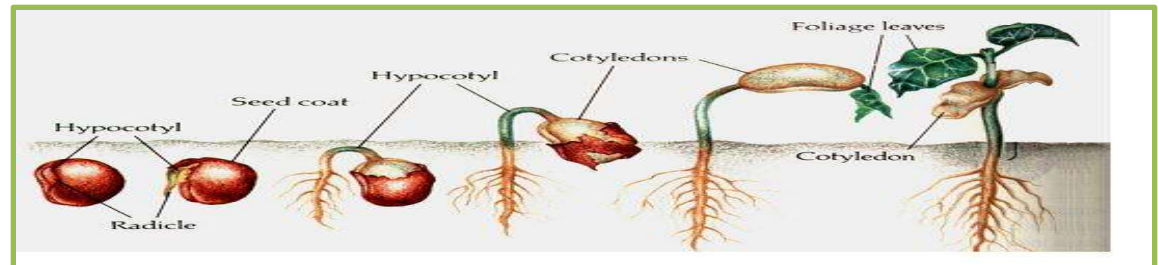
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Matthew 13: 7-8

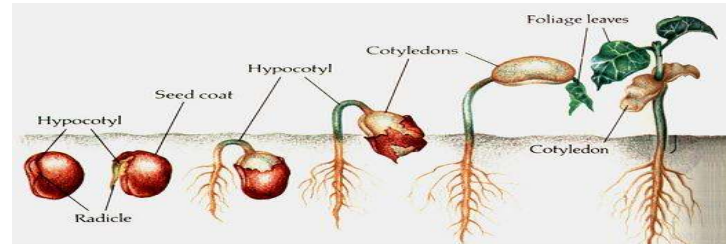
⁷Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants.

⁸Still other seed fell on **good soil**, where it **produced** a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. ⁹He who has ears, let him hear."



THE SEED...

Matthew 13: 18-20



18"Listen then to what the parable of the sower means: 19When anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is the seed sown along the path.

20The one who received the seed that fell on rocky places is the man who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. 21But since he has no root, he lasts only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, he quickly falls away.

THE SEED...

Matthew 13: 22-23

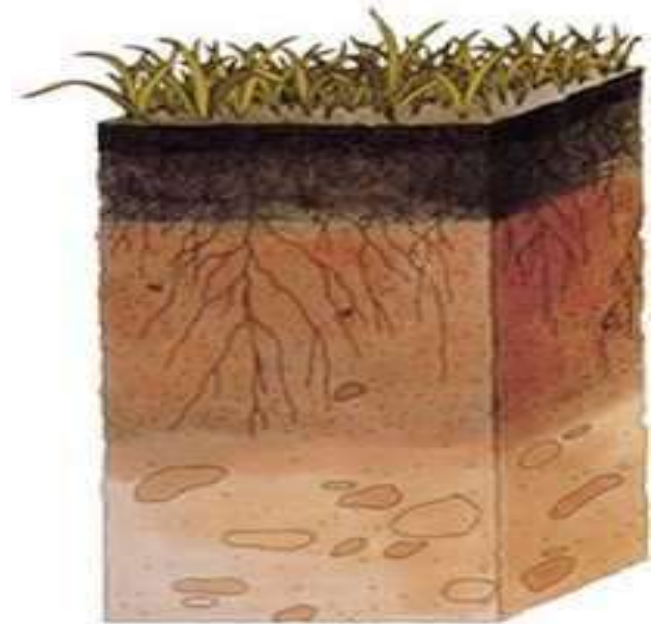
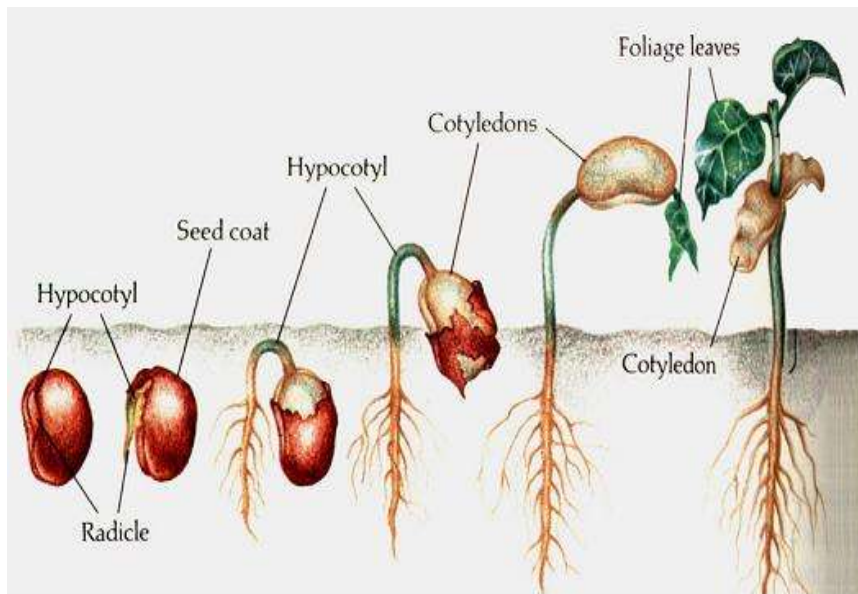
22The one who received the seed that fell among the thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke it, making it unfruitful.

23**But** the one who received the seed that fell on good soil **is the man who hears the word and understands it.** He produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."

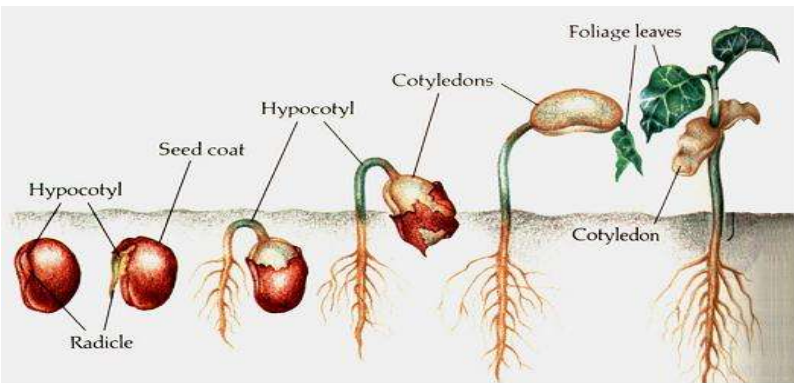


THE SEED VS THE WEED

Matthew 13: 18-23



THE SEED VS THE WEED...



Matthew 13: 24-26

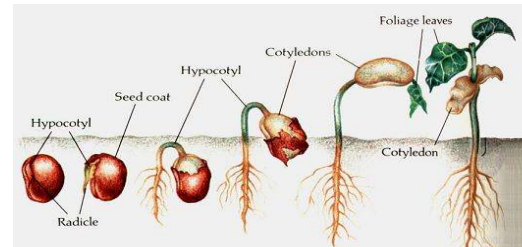
The Parable of the Weeds

²⁴Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed **good seed** in his field. ²⁵But while everyone was **sleeping**, his enemy came and sowed **weeds** among the wheat, and went away. ²⁶When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared.

THE SEED VS THE WEED...

Matthew 13: 36-39

The Parable of the Weeds Explained



³⁶Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field."

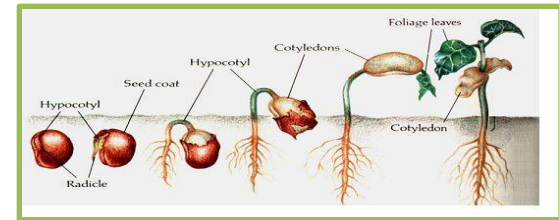
³⁷He answered, "The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sows them is the devil.



TWO EXAMPLES OF SOWING THE SEED AND SOWING THE WEED

Example #1

When we come to church and study the word of God, God sows good seeds in our hearts.



Example #2

When we go home and watch TV, the devil sows weed in our hearts. For this reason we need to guide and protect our young generation from the TV weed because :

they are not able to tell the difference between the seed and the weed



ARE WE PLANTING SEEDS OR WEEDS?

Genesis 8:22 "As long as the earth endures, **seedtime** and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease."

