

Mark 4:21-25 (ESV)

²¹ And he said to them, “Is a lamp brought in to be put under a basket, or under a bed, and not on a stand? ²² For nothing is hidden except to be made manifest; nor is anything secret except to come to light. ²³ If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear.” ²⁴ And he said to them, “Pay attention to what you hear: with the measure you use, it will be measured to you, and still more will be added to you. ²⁵ For to the one who has, more will be given, and from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.”

1. Reread Mark 4:1-20 and the Parable of the Sower. How do the verses about the lamp tie into the concept of being good soil and bearing spiritual fruit?
2. In verse 21, what is the lamp meant to represent and what does it mean for the lamp to be hidden?
3. Why do you think Jesus repeatedly says, “if anyone has ears to hear, let him hear”? What kind of listening is He calling for?

