

The background of the slide is a reproduction of the painting 'Oleander Field' by Vincent van Gogh. It depicts a man in a dark coat and hat standing in a field of dense, textured flowers, primarily in shades of blue and orange. The brushwork is visible and expressive, characteristic of Van Gogh's style.

Thanksgiving

Day

Year A

Deuteronomy 8:7-18 and Psalm 65 • 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Luke 17:11-19

For the LORD your God is bringing you
into a good land ... a land whose
stones are iron and from whose hills
you may mine copper.

Deuteronomy 8:7a, 9b

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Those who live at earth's farthest
bounds are awed by your signs;
you make the gateways of the morning
and the evening shout for joy.

Psalm 65:8



Sunset -- Heinrich Pniok, Waterberg Plateau, Namibia

... you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Romans 8:9b



Resurrection -- Frank Wesley

Richard Allen
Founder and First
Bishop of the
African Methodist
Episcopal Church



And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow.

Matthew 13:3



Sally Sows

Street mural, Brooklyn, NY

And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up.

Matthew 13:4



Sower at Sunset -- Vincent van Gogh Kroller-Muller Museum, Otterlo, Netherlands

Other seeds fell on rocky ground,
where they did not have much soil,
and they sprang up quickly, since they
had no depth of soil.

Matthew 13:5



Sowing Seed -- Unidentified church sculpture, Taiwan

But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away.

Matthew 13:6

The Sower

Jean-Francois Millet Boston
Museum of Fine Arts
Boston, MA



Other seeds fell among thorns,
and the thorns grew up and
choked them.

Matthew 13:7



Parable of the Sower -- JESUS MAFA, Cameroon

Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

Matthew 13:8



Seed and the Sower -- Cheyenne Botanic Gardens, Cheyenne, WY

But as for what was sown on good soil,
this is the one who hears the word and
understands it, who indeed bears fruit
and yields ...

Matthew 13:23



The Reaper -- William Morris & Co., Marden, England

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