About the Seeds of Truth Taking Root

Overview

Watch a video about seeds of truth taking root.

Prepare to Teach

Familiarize yourself with the video by watching it. Read through the discussion questions.

Materials Needed

Equipment for showing videos. Set up internet access and a screen ahead of time. Decide whether to have students gather around a small device or to use a TV or projector. Do a trial run so that you know everything will work when the time comes.

Directions

Introduce the lesson by discussing the following questions with the students: How might your mind be like a garden?

Show https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MKk2IN3NSPk

or go to YouTube.com and type in "Off the Left Eye About the Seeds of Truth Taking Root." The video is 21 min. As you run the video, periodically pause and ask SOME of the discussion questions below. With discussion, you may only get through part of the video.

Point out that while the video says that the ideas are Swedenborg's, Swedenborg says that the ideas are not his but that everything he wrote down came from the Lord while he read the Word.

Discuss "About the Seeds of Truth Taking Root"

- 1. Did you catch what "the seeds of faith" are? (Affection or love for truth) What does that look like in daily life what kinds of truth are out there, and what does an affection for them do in your life?
- 2. The presenter says that a seed of faith that he can think of himself is that everything is going to be okay. Do you think this is true? Why or why not?
- 3. What are some of your favorite seeds of faith that you go back to over and over?
- 4. What false weeds can you think of that might grow in a person's mind?
- 5. What needs to happen in order for good seeds to be able to grow in your mind? What's the process?
- 6. Compare your own role and the Lord's role in your garden/mind.
- 7. How much do you think you are aware of the growing that is happening in your garden? Can you see it happening at the time? Can you see it looking back? Can you see it at all?
- 8. Near the end, it talks about the seeds of truth being spiritual realities. What do you think is the relationship of "truth" and "reality"? When you discover or see the truth, are you seeing the actual reality instead of the appearances? What might be an example?
- 9. It ends by stating what the universal and only seed is, the one truth on which all the rest of what is true depends. What does it say that universal seed or truth is? What do you think of Curtis's interpretation that this universal seed means that everything is going to be okay?