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- A. Context of Jesus' Preaching – (Luke 8:1-3)
  - 1. Immediate Context
  - 2. Wider Context
  
- B. Content of Jesus' Preaching – (Luke 8:4-8)

## **II. REASON FOR CHRIST'S PREACHING**

- A. Reveal the Kingdom of God – (Luke 8:9-10a)
  
- B. Conceal the Kingdom of God – (Luke 8:10b)

## **III. RESPONSE TO CHRIST'S PREACHING**

- A. Ways to Respond – (Luke 8:11-15)
  - 1. Hearing that Rejects Jesus – (vv.11-12)
  - 2. Hearing that Falls Away – (v.13)
  - 3. Hearing that Desires the World – (v.14)
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  - 1. Hearing that Actually Acts – (vv.16-18a)
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