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What we'll be doing...

- Partnering with Vibrant Faith/Lilly Endowment.
- Simple ideas, small-group resources, online events, & growth ideas for parents.
- From 2023 to 2026—with 20 participating churches from around the U.S.
- The title refers to Jesus's "Parable of the Soils"—four soils, but only one provides a rich growth environment.
- Church Project Teams—made up of 5-7 "stakeholders," working closely with a Vibrant Faith Ministry Leadership Coach.

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- Churches will establish a feedback loop as parents try out these experiments.
- Together, we will pursue three guiding priorities: Connected, Called, and Committed.
- The 4th-Soil Parenting Project is for all parents—couples, singles, grandparents, and people who have assumed the role of a parent in their kids' lives.

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