"…some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it"



Luke 4:5

How does Scripture portray those who represent the roadside in their simplicity; who hear the word and do not benefit from it?

1. They Love Their Simplicity

- **Proverbs 1:22**: “How long, you simple ones, will you love simplicity? For scorners delight in their scorning, And fools hate knowledge.”

2. They Turn Away From Learning

- **<u>Proverbs 1:32:</u>** “For the turning away of the simple will slay them, And the complacency of fools will destroy them.”

3. They Are Easily Tempted

- **<u>Proverbs 7:7,8:</u>** “And saw among the simple, I perceived among the youths, A young man devoid of understanding, Passing along the street near her corner; And he took the path to her house.”

4. They Believe Every Word

- **Proverbs 14:15:** “The simple believes every word, But the prudent considers well his steps.”

5. They Surrender to Inherited Folly

- **<u>Proverbs 14:18</u>** “The simple inherit folly, But the prudent are crowned with knowledge.”

6. They Fall in the Evil Trap

- **Proverbs 22:3** "A prudent man foresees evil and hides himself, But the simple pass on and are punished."