

SEED KINGDOM

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SCRIPTURE

Matthew 13:31-35

31 He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. 32 Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches.”

33 He told them still another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough.”

34 Jesus spoke all these things to the crowd in parables; he did not say anything to them without using a parable. 35 So was fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet:

“I will open my mouth in parables,
I will utter things hidden since the creation of the world.”

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Introductions:

- What was your favorite meal as a child?

Scripture Reflection:

- What does this passage tell us about God?
- What does it tell us about people?

Lewis Preaching Sermon:

- Jesus speaks in parables to show us what God is really like. Why do you think Jesus used parables to uncover these truths? Do you see parables used in today's world?
- Josh said that God's kingdom works in small, subtle ways, like a mustard seed. Where have you seen God's seeds being sown in your own life or in our world?
- Josh said that the last image of the Bible is of a tree that offers healing to the whole world. Where does your life need to touch this healing tree? Where does our world need to touch this healing tree?

Closing Question & Application:

- What did God say to you during the conversation today?
- How might you live out that learning this week?

Prayer: *(save a little extra time for this)*

Hold hands and have one person open in prayer. When they're done they squeeze the hand of the person next to them. When a person's hand is squeezed they can either pray aloud then squeeze the hand next to them or "pass."