



REFLECTION // DISCUSSION RESOURCE
“The Kingdom of Heaven - The Parable of the Mustard Seed”
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Throughout Matthew 13, Jesus told eight parables known as “The Kingdom Parables”. These stories and illustrations give us a deeper understanding of what the Kingdom of Heaven is like.

Read Matthew 13:31-32

In what ways have you personally experienced small beginnings becoming life-changing experiences?

Share stories and testimonies of Kingdom growth in the churches, groups and initiatives you’ve been a part of on your faith journey.

Read Romans 1:20. Creation speaks and testifies to God’s nature and power.

How has your revelation of God grown through observing His creation?

Observation #1: The Kingdom comes in seed form.

What seed or small beginning is germinating / has been germinating in your life in recent time?

Observation #2: Seeds require more nurture.

Can you identify ways in which you’ve had to guard or nurture what Jesus was growing in your life? (This may relate to the time you came to faith in Christ, a major faith decision/step etc.)

Observation #3: The Kingdom is growing, moving and multiplying.

What challenges and issues have you had to overcome when you’ve been growing or moving forward in your faith and relationship with Jesus?

In what ways has the Kingdom simplified your life? And in what ways has the Kingdom complicated your life?

Observation #4: Jesus is the mustard seed.

In what ways is Jesus revealed to you in this short parable?

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APPLICATIONS

Consider the things that Jesus is doing in your life right now. Are any of those in their seed or infancy? How can you nurture and protect what the Lord is doing?

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PRAYER POINTS

Pray for our next generations at NewHope. Pray for their spiritual growth, friendships, and passion for Jesus. Pray also for the teams who serve our Next Generations to grow in number, unity and fruitfulness.

Pray by name for those 2-3 people your networks and neighbourhoods who don’t yet know Jesus.