



REFLECTION // DISCUSSION RESOURCE
“The Kingdom of Heaven - The Parable of the Leaven”
21 March 2021

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.

What’s been most challenging or memorable for you throughout this series so far?

Read Matthew 13:33

The Kingdom of Heaven is alive... There’s a living and breathing quality to it.

How have you seen God use seasons, endeavours, prayers or circumstances that you thought were wasted or of little value?

The Kingdom of Heaven is hidden... There are expressions that ought to take us by surprise.

Have you ever fallen into the trap of dismissing something because it didn’t fit your experience or expectation of the Kingdom? Share times where you’ve come to realise that God was indeed working in a way that didn’t fit your preference or paradigm.

Is there anything right now that you’ve dismissed or written-off that you may need to be more open to?

The Kingdom of Heaven is transformational... It’s not an add-on, adjustment or accessory

How have you personally experienced transformation?

Read Romans 6:1-14

Share in your own words and understanding what it means to have experienced Jesus’ death and resurrection. What was your water baptism like?

What does presenting your mind and body to Jesus as instruments for righteousness look like or mean to you?

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APPLICATIONS

Have you been water baptised? If you’re a follower of Jesus then consider making this decision and speak to Doc, Lisa or Rachelle if you’d like to be water baptised.

As we continue to pray “Your Kingdom come...”, take time to present your own life to God as an act of worship.

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PRAYER POINTS

Pray for more leaders and volunteers to join our Kids, Youth and Young Adult Teams.

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

Pray for our Seed Offering in April, and for miraculous provision for NewHope’s mission and vision.