

The Parables of the Mustard Seed and the Yeast | Matthew 13:31-35

Open It

- What small or seemingly insignificant possession is worth a great deal to you? Why?
- What are some big or important events that start out very small?

Explore It

- What did Jesus tell the crowd? (13:31)
- In the Parable of the Mustard Seed, what did the man do with the seed? (13:31)
- To what kind of seed did Christ compare the kingdom of heaven? Why? (13:31-32)
- How does the mustard seed compare to others in size? (13:32)
- What is a mustard seed like when it is fully grown? (13:32)
- Besides bearing fruit, how is a mustard plant useful? (13:32)
- In the Parable of the Yeast, to what did Christ liken the kingdom of heaven? (13:33)
- How does yeast work? (13:33)
- Why was Jesus' use of parables significant? (13:35)

Get It

- In what small or seemingly insignificant ways has God worked in your life?
- How can a Christian be a positive presence among his or her non-Christian friends and relatives?
- What does this passage say to those who don't feel talented, gifted, or brilliant?
- In what ways has your Christian life grown to bless others?

Apply It

- How do you see the gospel permeating your family, workplace, or circle of friends?
- What illustrations, examples, or stories can you share with someone to help them understand your faith in Christ?
- What prayer can you begin praying this week in regards to the kingdom of God at work around you?