

A stylized illustration of a landscape. In the center, a green plant with large, pointed leaves and a thin stem grows out of a brown, textured ground. The plant's roots are visible, spreading across the ground. The background features a blue sky with a large, orange sun or moon in the upper center. Several small, dark birds are flying in the sky. The landscape below the ground is composed of various colored layers: a brown layer with a wood-grain pattern, a green layer with a wavy pattern, and a blue layer with a wavy pattern. The overall style is flat and graphic, with a focus on natural elements.

**KINGDOM
COME**

The Gospels v. The Gospel

- The Gospel (εὐαγγέλιον – Euangelion) – Good News
 - Eu - εὖ (meaning "good") and
 - Angelia - ἀγγελία (meaning "message")
- The Gospel Writers – Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John
 - Evangelists (εὐαγγελιστής - Euangelistes)
 - “Good News Messengers”
- Synoptic Gospels: (Matthew, Mark, & Luke)
 - Greek synoptikos, "seeing together"
 - Share similar stories, sayings, & parables

31 He put another parable before them, saying, “*The Kingdom of Heaven* is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took & sowed in his field.

32 It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants & becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

Matthew 13:31-32

30 And He said, “With what can we compare *the Kingdom of God*, or what parable shall we use for it?

31 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth,

32 yet when it is sown it grows up & becomes larger than all the garden plants & puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

Mark 4:30-32

1⁸ He said therefore, “What is *the Kingdom of God* like? And to what shall I compare it?

1⁹ It is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took & sowed in his garden, & it grew & became a tree, & the birds of the air made nests in its branches.”

Luke 13:18-19

What Jesus Really is About –

“Smallest of all seeds...”

- **Jesus confronts false expectations:**
 - **The “Messiah” & The “Kingdom” :**
People expected political power, visible dominance, immediate results.
 - **Instead: Something small, hidden, unimpressive – But will change everything**

**THE KINGDOM DOESN'T BEGIN WITH SPECTACLE –
IT BEGINS WITH THE GOSPEL PLANTED IN HEARTS.**

The Kingdom Grows Supernaturally

“It grows and becomes larger...”

Romans 1:16 — “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first & also to the Greek.”

The same gospel that saves:

- Changes desires, Breaks sin, Produces fruit

We often try to manufacture growth:

- Programs, Personality, Pressure

Your role is not to force growth, but to:

- Receive the Word, Abide in Christ, Walk in obedience

The Kingdom Expands Beyond Expectation

“Becomes a tree... birds make nests in its branches”

Imagery of a Kingdom where nations find refuge -

Daniel 4 – Dream of Nebuchadnezzar

Ezekiel 17 – God promises to take a tender sprig from the top of the cedar tree and plant it on a high mountain in Israel. This branch will grow into a majestic, enduring tree where people of all nations will find shelter. – Jesus

The Kingdom Demands a Response

This parable isn't just descriptive—it's confrontational.

Do you believe the gospel has this kind of power?

What Many want: Immediate results, Visible success, Comfortable Christianity

The Kingdom Comes: Quietly, Gradually, Powerfully

The gospel is not weak—it just starts small

The gospel is not passive—it is power at work

The gospel is not limited—it will fill the earth

The Kingdom of God doesn't arrive like a lightning strike - It enters like a seed. And when it takes root—it doesn't stay small. It takes over everything..

Where have you dismissed the work of God because it looked small?

Where have you stopped obeying because growth felt slow?

Where are you trying to control what only God can grow?

