

## Kingdom Hide and Seek

*Mark 4:21-34*

### The kingdom of God...

- v.21-25 – Will be **revealed**
- v.26-29 – Will grow as **God determines it to grow**
- v.30-32 – Will grow **beyond earthly expectations**
- v.33-34 – Will be **concealed**

## Small Group Questions

1. Why were parables such an important part of Jesus' teaching? Do you have a favorite parable?
2. Jesus reminds us of the importance of hearing what God is communicating. What are the things that make you more likely to listen? What are the things that distract you from listening?
3. How do you strive to find the right balance between human Action and God's sovereignty? How could the parable of the growing seed be misapplied by some? What is the application of that parable in your life?
4. What part of God's plan of ushering in the kingdom of God most surprises you? In what ways has it gone against Christian's expectations in the past?
5. What is a way that you have seen God work through Something seemingly small that grew beyond expectations?
6. Jesus explained the parables to His disciples. In what way do Christians today actually have an advantage over those disciples?