Parables Series: Introduction and Parables of the Mustard Seed and the Yeast.

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Luke 13:18-21 NLT

*18 Then Jesus said, “What is the Kingdom of God like? How can I illustrate it? 19 It is like a tiny mustard seed that a man planted in a garden; it grows and becomes a tree, and the birds make nests in its branches. 20 He also asked, “What else is the Kingdom of God like? 21 It is like the yeast a woman used in making bread. Even though she put only a little yeast in three measures of flour, it permeated every part of the dough.”*

How the Parables work:

1. The Parables are a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. The primary purpose of the parables was to announce the

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1. Jesus was a master \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* He used a teaching method called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

“And that, perhaps, is the greatest genius of a parable: it doesn't grab you by the lapels and scream in your face, 'Repent, you vile sinner! Turn or burn!' Rather, it works gently, subtly, indirectly. It respects your dignity. It doesn't batter you into submission but leaves you free to discover and choose for yourself.”

-Brian McLaren, the Secret Message of Jesus.

What is the Kingdom of God?

1. The Kingdom of God is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God.
2. The Kingdom of God is in any place or person where the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ are announced, expressed and experienced

What is the Kingdom of God like?

* A Mustard Seed
* Yeast in Dough

The Kingdom of God is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Kingdom of God is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Kingdom of God \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ where the King is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

So what?

Receive the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Kingdom.

Start \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.