

Small Groups Study Guide:

Read the entire Passage first: Mark 4:26-34

- Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged or confused you?
- What did God speak to you during the sermon?

- The Kingdom of God is absolutely assured, relentlessly growing and ultimately triumphant

-There is a Progression to these Parables

-God is not far off, but near to all humanity

-This parable brings together what is seen, and unseen

-Our mission is to join Jesus on His Mission

-Our hope is not in our ability but His Sovereignty

-Don't view the Kingdom of God in your perception, but through Jesus prediction

- Can you share some examples from your life of how you have joined Jesus on His Mission?
- Are there times that you have not joined Jesus on mission, but tried to accomplish His will on your own? Can you share at least one time in your life, that you did not join Jesus?
- Is there a time that you muffed up joining Jesus and He still came through in the end?
- What is the ONE thing God is asking you to do this week?

God's Word is clear in verse 28 that God's Word produces on it's own without our help and we do not know how. **"The earth produces by itself, The earth produces by itself" (Mark 4:28)**

- Can you share an example of a time that you tried to do something for God, botched it pretty bad, and God still worked it out for His glory, and for our good?

PURPOSE OF SMALL GROUPS

Small groups exist to promote spiritual maturity and personal growth through deep Christian relationships through the application of God's Word. The goal is to care enough about each other enough to ask the BIG questions of life, such as, what is God doing in your life? What is He asking you to do about it? Then to walk with each other through sharing, caring and praying with and for each other.

SHARING – We come together each week to share God's Word in our lives, and how His story is impacting our daily story.

CARING – We gather together each week to ask great questions and listen to understand other people, and what God is doing in and through their lives.

PRAYING – We meet together to pray together. Not just to speak to God, but to hear from Him each week in community, and daily individually.