



# MISSION CREEK

Alliance Church

1. Re-read Luke 13:18-21. What stands out to you afresh?
2. We saw that Jesus' parables were "disruptive." In the best way possible, God often adjusts how we see Him, ourselves, and what He is up to. What are some of the misconceptions that we and others can have about what we think a) God is like, b) how He does goes about doing things, and 3) how we see ourselves?
3. Like a mustard seed, the kingdom of God starts small and seemingly insignificant- yet exponentially grows! How do you see this in history? How have you seen this in your life?
4. Like yeast, the impact of God at work in and through his people, expands, rises, and changes everything. How has the involvement and help of other Christians impacted and helped you?
5. In the sermon we saw that God is always powerfully at work and He also invites us to join into that work.
  - a. Like the Mustard seed, what seem to us like small and insignificant actions- God can powerfully work through- actions like prayer, service, listening, caring, sharing Jesus
  - b. Like yeast, our presence and involvement in people's lives can make a huge impact.
  - c. Like the persons in the parable, God's invitations are unique and personal for each one of us.

Spend a minute or two in silence, quietly reflecting with Jesus what He is saying to you.

Afterwards, share together what you believe He is impressing upon you from the time of listening.

6. Share as a group your responses to these questions:
  - a. What do you believe are the "spheres of influence", the people that God has for you in your life?
  - b. What does it look like to bless those around you?
7. As you move to a time of prayer, remember to include praying for continued awareness of how God is inviting you to join Him and for the people in your sphere of influence, especially those who don't know Jesus yet.

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