



## CONVERSATION STARTER

What is your favorite parable by Jesus that portrays what the Kingdom of Heaven is like, and why? What does that parable tell us about the Kingdom?

## DEEPER

**READ:** Matthew 6:9-13

### STUDY

What is the setting or context of this passage? How does this fit into the surrounding verses in Matthew 6 or the Gospel of Matthew in general?

Jesus teaches us to pray for God's Kingdom to come. What exactly are we asking God for when we ask for his Kingdom to come?

### APPLY

In light of Josh's sermon and the instruction of prayer from Jesus? How can we apply this to our lives and how does this encourage us to be Kingdom-minded?

**READ:** Matthew 16:16-19

### STUDY

What is the setting or context of this passage? How does this fit into the surrounding verses in Matthew 16 or the Gospel of Matthew in general?

What does this passage teach us about the Kingdom of Heaven?

### APPLY

How should this passage encourage us in a time when it can sometimes feel like Satan and sin are prevailing? How does this promise of Jesus contribute to our mission to make disciples of all nations? What mindset should we have?

**READ:** Matthew 13:24-33

**STUDY**

What is the setting or context of this passage? How does this fit into the surrounding verses in Matthew 13 or the Gospel of Matthew in general?

What do these passages teach us about God's Kingdom? How does this encourage us in our effort to be Kingdom-minded disciples?

**READ:** Romans 10:9-17

**STUDY**

What is the setting or context of this passage? How does this fit into the surrounding verses in Romans 10 or the entire epistle in general?

What does this passage have to do with the Kingdom of Heaven?

**APPLY**

If faith comes from hearing the Good News about Christ, what action steps do you need to take right now to share the gospel to unbelievers in our town, our country, and our world?

What resources or support would you like to have to help you in this endeavor? Can your Life Group help you? Can our Go team help?

Pastor Josh gave several practical steps you can take in growing as Kingdom-minded disciples. Do any of these interest you? As a Life Group, how can you encourage each other to proclaim God's Kingdom to those who desperately need to hear it?

## DISCIPLINES

**Pray:** "Your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven"

**Read:** Consider doing a reading plan on the parables of Jesus to learn more about what the Kingdom of Heaven is like.

**Write:** Take time to write down your thoughts and insights from the sermon this week. Keeping a journal is just one more tool that you can use to track what God is showing you in your walk with him. Consider writing in questions for the podcast on the Gateway Church app.

**Sing:** Listen to the worship songs from Sunday throughout the week. Look up the lyrics to each song and spend some time reading them as well.

**Memorize:** Acts 1:8

**Love:** Share about the Kingdom of God to someone who needs to hear about it.

*Sermon Discussion Guide*

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