



Sermon Outline
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Forecasting a Kingdom Mark 4:26-34

Do your expectations about _____ align with God's?

God's Kingdom: God's effective rule on Earth set into motion by Jesus, lived by the Church here and now, and fully realized at the Second Coming of Jesus.

Three Surprising Features of the Kingdom

1. Surprising _____

The Parable of the Mustard Seed (Vs. 30-32)

The point: "In God's Kingdom small beginnings produce amazingly large results." – Craig Blomberg

_____ isn't a detriment in God's kingdom, it's an opportunity.

John 6:9 – Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?

No life surrendered to an _____ is insignificant.

2. Surprising _____

The Parable of the Seed Growing Secretly (Vs. 26-29)

The first point: God's Kingdom will continue to grow even when we do not or cannot see the results.

God's Kingdom is surprisingly _____ but incredibly effective.

Ruthlessly eliminate _____.

"Above all, trust in the slow work of God." – Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

3. Surprising _____

The second point: God will most certainly bring His kingdom to _____—ready for the harvest.

Philippians 1:6 – being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Two Models of the Christian Journey

Three Takeaways:

When the kingdom looks _____,
trust God's _____.

When you can't see the _____, trust God's _____.

When the future looks _____, trust God's _____.

Luke 22:42 – "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."