Pastor Mark Schmechel Aug 9, 2020 Series: Parables Matt 13:24-35

MUSTARD SEED, YEAST, WHEAT

Isaiah 9:2 (NIV) The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

The Kingdom of God in us should be like:

1. A Mustard Seed

Matt. 13:31-32 (NIV) He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. ³² Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches."

The mustard seed grows!

2. Yeast

Matt. 13:33 (NIV) He told them still another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough."

The yeast penetrates the bread!

3. The Wheat/Weeds

Matt. 13:24-30 (NIV) Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. ²⁵ But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. ²⁶ When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared. ²⁷ "The owner's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?' ²⁸ " 'An enemy did this,' he replied. "The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them

²⁸ "'An enemy did this,' he replied. "The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' ²⁹ " 'No,' he answered, 'because while you are pulling the weeds, you may uproot the wheat with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.'

Over time, you will tell the sincerity of faith (the wheat).