

The Kingdom of God – Luke 13:18-21

I. The Kingdom Begins Small (18-19)

A. What is the Kingdom Like? (18)

B. The Kingdom is Like a small seed (19)

1. Mustard seeds are very very small

2. They are sown and planted, like the Kingdom in the heart

C. The Kingdom of God begins with drawing of the Spirit

D. The Kingdom starts with a simple act of child-like faith

II. The Kingdom Grows Until It Touches Everything (19b-21)

A. The Seed Grows into a Great Tree (19b)

1. Faith grows into lifestyle

2. Man becomes New Creature

3. It becomes a place of rest and shelter

- birds nest there

- Our foundation, our refuge

B. The Leaven Spreads into all the Flour (21)

1. Kingdom begins small, hidden in flour

2. Spreads throughout, and overtakes the life

3. Just as leaven spreads, God's Rule spreads

C. Sanctification is taking place

1. God's rule is spreading

2. How we know we are justified

3. God will complete what he started