

**Kidz World's
Church at Home
'REVEALED' – The Parable of The Mustard Seed**

FUN TIME: “A Second Look”

What You Will Do: Show [*this video*](#) (or another like it), which has super close-up photos of everyday objects. Pause after each “macro” shot to see if your children can guess what the item is.

What You Will Say: When we see only a small part of something, it's hard to tell what the whole thing will look like. When we zoom out to the larger image, that small part makes so much more sense!

BIBLE TIME:

Today, we're going to see what that means for us in God's big picture. As we continue in our series, 'Revealed', we're going to look at another parable that Jesus shared in the Bible. Remember, a parable is a short story that teaches us an important lesson. Jesus used parables to reveal, or uncover, important lessons. Let's take a look at the parable of the mustard seed.

READ: Matthew 13:31-32

Familiarize yourself with the Bible passage and summarize it for your younger children. Read it with older children. For toddlers and preschoolers, simply share the answers to these questions with them as you summarize the Bible story. Keep it short and sweet for them 😊.

1. What did Jesus compare the kingdom of heaven to?
2. What happens when that small seed grows?
3. Why do you think Jesus chose the mustard seed in the story instead of large pumpkin seeds?
4. Describe a time when you felt like you (or something you did) didn't matter. Why did you feel that way?
5. What happens when you do something small for God?

REAL TIME: God's Kingdom gets bigger when more and more people come to know Jesus and believe in God. That only happens when each of us do our small part in showing how wonderful it is to be a child of God! Even though each of us are just one person, when the family of God grows because of us, **we are a part of something big!**

A mustard seed is a super tiny seed. It's what is ground up to make the mustard we eat on hot dogs. While we may not grow our own mustard seeds and find it hard to get what Jesus was talking about, the people who were listening to Jesus' parable at that time would definitely have understood what Jesus was trying to reveal. People back then used mustard seeds as seasoning by themselves and also used them to grow plants they could eat. They knew mustard seeds were tiny, but they grew quickly and became huge!

So when Jesus said God's Kingdom is like a mustard seed, Jesus meant that, while it might start small, with just a few people believing in God, it becomes ginormous! Think about this: When Jesus was on Earth, at one point there were probably only a handful of people, all living near each other, who believed in Jesus. But now, more than 2,000 years later, there are around two billion people who believe in God, and they live all over the world!

Read 1 Corinthians 12:37 (NIRV). This Bible verse tells us that while you may just be one person, you are definitely part of something really big! Let's pray and ask God to help us do our part & grow His Kingdom.

PRAYER TIME: “God, thank You for inviting me to be a part of something big. I am so glad I can help grow Your kingdom family! Show me what I am supposed to do and help me to be an example of your ginormous love to everyone I meet. In Jesus’ Name, amen!”

"You are the body of Christ. Each one of you is a part of it." ~ 1 Corinthians 12:27 (NIRV)