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## ***The Mustard Seed That Grew***

**Mark 4:30-34**

### **I. The Stimulating Question (v. 30)**

A. The point of the \_\_\_\_\_ written by Mark  
[Mk. 10:45; Mk. 3:31-35; Matt. 5:14-16]

B. The point of the \_\_\_\_\_ asked by Jesus  
[Jn. 18:36; Rom. 14:17-18; Matt. 6:33; 8:26; 9:28; 15:13; 16:13, 15; 21:25]

### **II. The Simple Parable (vv. 31-32)**

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ size of the seed (v. 31)  
[Jn. 1:46; Gen. 11:27-12:2; Ex. 4:2; 12:40-42; 1 Sam. 17:50-52;  
1 Kgs. 18:38-40; 2 Cor. 12:10]

B. The \_\_\_\_\_ size of the plant (v. 32a)  
[Matt. 16:18; Rev. 5:9-10]

C. The \_\_\_\_\_ which it provides (v. 32b)  
[Mk. 4:15; Isa. 29:13; 1 Jn. 2:3-6; 2 Cor. 13:5]

### **III. The Select Hearers (vv. 33-34)**

A. To \_\_\_\_\_ truth from unbelievers  
[Mk. 4:10-12; Rom. 9:14-18; Gen. 18:25]

B. To \_\_\_\_\_ truth to believers  
[Jn. 14:26; 2 Tim. 3:16; Psa. 1:3; Matt. 16:17-18]

### **TAKE HOME**

- Don't ever \_\_\_\_\_ the power of God at work through a small seed
- Don't ever \_\_\_\_\_ that the mystery of the gospel has been revealed to you through God's Word
- Don't ever be \_\_\_\_\_ of a humble beginning with God

## STUDY QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a small group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please visit our website at [placiritachurch.com](http://placiritachurch.com).

1. Read Mark 4:30. What does Jesus mean by using the phrase the “Kingdom of God?” How does all of Mark chapter 4 (with the other parables in mind) help us understand this concept? How would you explain the Kingdom of God to somebody else?

2. Read Mark 4:31-32. Why is it important to understand the size of the seed? Discuss for a moment through some biblical history that had small beginnings... (Abraham, Moses, David). What does this tell us about God?

3. Read 2 Corinthians 12:10. Even though the context in 2 Corinthians is more about suffering than size how does this verse encourage you? How does this relate to our message? (When I am weak then I am strong...)

4. Read Revelation 5:9-10. Do you believe the total number of people in the Kingdom of God will be small or large? Read Matthew 16:18. How does this verse encourage you?

5. Read Mark 4:33-34. Now read Mark 4:10-12. What were the two purposes of the parables? How does this affect you, knowing these two purposes?

6. Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17 and John 14:26. How do these verses encourage you as far as the truth being revealed to you? How is the truth revealed to you? Why you and not someone else?

7. Review the take home points. Which one encourages you or challenges you the most? How do you plan to change in light of this message?

*“The world has yet to see what God can do with a man fully consecrated to Him.”*

- D. L. Moody