

# Growing PRAISE

EVERY NIGHT...EVERY HOME...THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE

19 — 25 August 2018

VERSE of the week — Matthew 13:43

***“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a mustard seed planted in a field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but it becomes the largest of garden plants; it grows into a tree, & birds come & make nests in its branches.”***

## TABLE GRACE

***For food in a world where  
many walk in hunger;  
For faith in world where  
many walk in fear;  
For friends in a world where  
many walk alone;  
We give you humble thanks  
O Lord. Amen.***

## 5 POINT CHECK UP

1. Share your highs (good times) and lows (bad times)
2. Read a verse from the Bible.
3. What do you find “best” in the text? What is most confusing or hard to understand? What does God want you to do ?
4. Pray for one another (**P**raise God, **T**hank Jesus, **A**sk the Holy Spirit).
5. Bless one another.

THOUGHT for the week:

***“The only home safe for anyone to be born into is the home that is ready to welcome someone who does not belong there by right of kinship, but belongs there by virtue of hospitality.”***  
— James T. Burtchaell



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## let's TALK

1. Gather in the name of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Share your highs/lows. Read Matthew 13:31-32. What strikes you as you read these verses?
2. What is notable about mustard seeds with respect to the plant they grow into? In Matthew 17:14-21 Jesus used the mustard seed as an example of faith. Compare and contrast these two uses of the humble mustard seed?
3. **What is Jesus' intention for the church as it reflects the Kingdom if the plan is the "birds come and make nests in its branches."? Why would the disciples in particular need to understand a parable like this?**
4. **Our experience of the presence of God's Kingdom is often very small & almost unnoticeable.** How does something we sometimes take for granted become a movement that impacts the whole world? How is the presence & impact of the Kingdom being noticeably experienced in your life?
5. What promise and power is present in the Kingdom as it resides in each of us as **Christ's disciples? What are you doing to sow that seed with its promise and power** into the lives of people around you?
6. What encouragement do you find in this parable? How can we pray for you?

### let's READ

Sunday	Romans 14:17-19	Thursday	1 Corinthians 4:20
Monday	Zechariah 4:6-10	Friday	Hebrews 2:10
Tuesday	Hebrews 12:28	Saturday	Hebrews 11:6
Wednesday	Daniel 2:44		

## let's PRAY

*PRAISE GOD for claiming you as an agent of his kingdom.*

*THANK JESUS for planting God's Word in you.*

*ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT to make your life a refuge on  
God's promise for many.*

## let's BLESS

*Make the sign of the cross on each other & say:*

**(Name), † child of God, May the power of love,  
the strength of hope, the authority of service  
& the sovereignty of life be yours forever.**

**Amen.**

