The invisible expanding Kingdom – Part 2 Luke 13:18–21

So He was saying, "What is the kingdom of God like, and to what shall I compare it? It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and threw into his own garden; and it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the sky nested in its branches."

and again He said, "To what shall I compare the kingdom of God? It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in 3 sata of flour until it was all leavened." Luke 13:18–21

Kingdom influence

- Starts small!
- It GROWS!

Kingdom influence

• Encapsulates the external

'Now these were the visions in my mind as I lay on my bed: I was looking, and behold, there was a tree in the midst of the earth and its height was great. Daniel 4:10

'The tree grew large and became strong, and its height reached to the sky, and it was visible to the end of the whole earth. 'Its foliage was beautiful and its fruit abundant, and in it was food for all. The beasts of the field found shade under it, and the birds of the sky dwelt in its branches, and all living creatures fed themselves from it. Daniel 4:11-12

'I was looking in the visions in my mind as I lay on my bed, and behold, an angelic watcher, a holy one, descended from heaven. 'He shouted out and spoke as follows: Chop down the tree and cut off its branches, strip off its foliage and scatter its fruit; Let the beasts flee from under it and the birds from its branches. Daniel 4:13-14

Son of man, say to Pharaoh king of Egypt and to his hordes, 'Whom are you like in your greatness? Ezekiel 31:2 'Behold, Assyria was a cedar in Lebanon with beautiful branches and forest shade, and very high, Ezekiel 31:3

And its top was among the clouds. The waters made it grow, the deep made it high. With its rivers it continually extended all around its planting place and sent out its channels to all the trees of the field. Therefore its height was loftier than all the trees of the field and its boughs became many and its branches long because of many waters as it spread them out. Ezekiel 31:3-5

All the birds of the heaven nested in its bows and under its branches. All the beasts of the field gave birth and all great nations lived under its shade." Ezekiel 31:6

Thus says the Lord God, "I will also take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and set it out; I will pluck from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one and I will plant it on a high and lofty mountain.

Ezekiel 17:22

...that it may bring forth boughs and bear fruit and become a stately cedar. And birds of every kind will nest under it; they will nest in the shade of its branches. All the trees of the field will know that I am the Lord; I bring down the high tree, exalt the low tree, dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will perform it." Ezekiel 17:23-24

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- It stimulates the Internal.

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For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. Romans 8:19

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him. Psalm 34:8

The key truths here:

The power of the kingdom is extensive. The influence of the kingdom is extensive.

A final thought

The positive influence of the kingdom comes from INSIDE.



Will you let the leaven in you... thru you?