



## The Kingdom of God | Mark 4

The Kingdom of God...Jesus talks a lot about it in the book of Mark. It's mentioned in the New Testament over 70 times.

His parables about the Kingdom of God were amazingly simple yet profoundly impactful. Privately he explained His parables to His disciples. To the crowds, He grabbed their attention with His stories. The truth within these meaningful parables had the potential to change the spiritual destiny of those who heard them spoken. Today like the Jews of Jesus' day, we too can have our spiritual destiny changed. As we can read about the Kingdom of God as spoken by Jesus, our attention is peaked. We want to be the fertile soil who receives the good seed...our desire to bear 30, 60 even 100 times more fruit comes from the relationship we cultivate with our Heavenly Father. The Kingdom of God ceases to be a mystery as we pay attention to what we hear and read. It becomes the fertilizer by which the soil of our hearts lovingly pursues growth and patiently produces mature fruit.

Mark 4:24 points us in the right direction. "By our standard of measurement (that is the extent that you study spiritual truth and apply Godly wisdom) it will be measured to you (and you will be given even greater ability to respond) and more will be given to you besides."

Father, may I long and yearn for your truth. Grow and mature Your truth in my life. In faith, I ask for the willingness and the ability to bear as much fruit as is humanly possible from and through my life...for You and You alone, in Jesus' name, I pray.

P.S. More understanding comes to those who have a teachable heart.