

WHAT IS GOD UP TO?

Parables of the Kingdom
Parables of Jesus Bible Study Series # 13

Introduction

God is actively building His _____!

Text: Matthew 13:24-52, Mark 4:26-29

1. Parable of the Weeds (13:24-30; 36-43)

God is carrying out His plan of _____, in spite of obstacles, and His purposes _____ be accomplished.

Two aspects to God's plan:

A. God's plan will eliminate _____.

Why is He waiting?

- He is waiting so His process of _____ will be completed in us.
- He is waiting so more people will _____ to Him. (2 Peter 3:9)

B. God's plan will establish _____.

2. Parable of the Growing Seed (Mark 4:26-29)

God is growing his kingdom _____ and _____ in His time and in His way.

3. Parables of the Mustard Seed & Yeast (13:31-33)

God is working in seemingly _____ ways that have _____ and powerful results.

Interlude (13:34-35) – see Psalm 78:2

4. Parables of the Hidden Treasure and the Pearl (13:44-46)

God is offering a salvation of _____ value worth _____ sacrifice or commitment to obtain.

5. Parable of the Net (13:47-50)

God will bring final _____ in His time.

6. Parable of the House Owner (13:51-52)

God is giving us opportunity to share the _____ with others. (2 Peter 3:18)

Application:

1. When you don't understand, be encouraged, God has a _____.
2. When you don't see how it can work out, be encouraged, God's efforts may look _____, but they are ultimately _____ and powerful.
3. When you wonder if the _____ you make to live for Him is worth it, be encouraged, it is!
4. When you wonder if you can do anything of _____ use for the kingdom, be encouraged, God will use _____ in ways you could never imagine.