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Wednesday, April 06, 2022 - Group Study
Lesson Series: Transforming Into The New You
Lesson Series Text: *(Rom. 12:1-3)*
Lesson (2): The Mystery Of The Kingdom Of God
Lesson (2) Text: *(Mark 4:1-32)*
All Scriptures are KJV; unless otherwise noted.
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- I. Jesus speaks using five different parables.
 - A. In each of these parables, Jesus is revealing different aspects of how the Kingdom of God operates.
 - B. The parables are only for those who have ears to hear. *(9, 23)*
 - C. Jesus wanted to reveal the process needed to bring forth from the Kingdom of God.
 - D. The **amount** of the quantity needed from the Kingdom, is determined by the quality of the one who was hearing.
 - E. We must realize the Kingdom of God is within us. *(Luke 17:20-21 – And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: 21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.)*
- II. The three elements needed to cause the Kingdom to produce are the sower, the seed, and the ground.
 - A. A sower is a person that is within the Kingdom; the believer. *(11)*
 - B. The seed is the Word of God. *(14)*
 - C. The ground is the heart of the receiver. *(15)*
 - D. The sower sows the Word into their hearts which gives access to the Kingdom of God within.
 - E. The seed potential is one hundred-fold. It is only limited by the condition of the ground. *(20)*
- III. Revelation is hidden for us. *(21-23)*
 - A. We must not become frustrated when there looks like there is no answer to our situations. We must look into God's Word to find promises that covers our situation.
- IV. Revelation that is needed to produce the one hundred-fold is hidden for the diligent seeker. *(24-25; Heb. 11:6)*
 - A. Pay attention to what you allow into your hearing.
 - a. The measure of thought and study that you give to what you are hearing, will determine the measure that you will receive back.

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- b. If you give good measure of attention to the truth of God's Word, you will receive even more revelations of the truth that you are hearing.
- B. Guard your heart. (*Pro. 4:20-24*)
 - a. Issues – outgoing or source
 - b. Froward – distortion or crooked
 - c. Perverse – deviation, crooked, or contrary (opposite in nature or character)
- V. The stages of the growth of the seed. (*Mark 4:26-29*)
 - A. The sowers must do their parts: cast the seed into **prepared** ground.
 - B. **After doing our part**, we must wait for the natural course and process to take place.
 - C. We don't know how it works, but we must trust that the heart knows how to bring forth the harvest.
 - D. We must know what the end result looks like.
 - E. When the process is finished, we can harvest the fruit.
- VI. If we have faith the size of a mustard seed. (*30-32*)
 - A. We must understand the power of a seed sown.

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