

# Parables of The Kingdom

## A Little Kingdom with Big Plans

Dr. Jeff Bucknam | Matthew 13:31–33

**1. Why did God choose to have King Jesus arrive in such humble circumstances? What does this say about the Kingdom of Heaven and what is valued in it?**

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**2. How do Christians usually feel about opposition to their faith? Why do we consider it strange at times? How would you encourage someone who is dealing with opposition? How would you address someone who isn't?**

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**3. Why are Christians prone to bouts of despair when they look at the state of the world and the seeming ineffectiveness of the church? How can we not despair?**

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**4. How is winning after being behind better than winning while always ahead? How will Christian suffering in the present moment add to the joy Christians will have in eternity?**

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**5. What do you see in Matthew 13:31-33 that wasn't mentioned in the sermon but that has importance to your thinking about the Kingdom of Heaven?**

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