

Discovery Community Church – Small Group Discussion Guide

The One Thing – 3/3/24

Luke 13:18-19

INTRODUCTION

- What is something you're good at now that you didn't used to be? How did you get good at it?

DISCUSSION

Have a volunteer read Luke 13:18-19, Luke 10:9, and Luke 17:20-21.

- What does Jesus mean by “the kingdom of God”? What and where is it?
- Why do you think he uses the word “kingdom”? What does it mean that the kingdom is “near” or “here”? Have you ever felt the nearness of God’s kingdom?
- Why do you think Jesus chose the tiny mustard seed to illustrate His point? What does the contrast between the seed and tree teach us about the power of God’s kingdom?
- What was the man’s responsibility in the growth of the seed?
- How does this illustration encourage you to look past the “size” of your present faith and toward the final mature product God is working toward in your life?
- Would you say your faith has grown from the time you first started following Jesus? How so? What things did you practice in order to grow?
- In Matthew 6:10 Jesus demonstrates how to pray, saying “your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.” We are called to pray for God’s kingdom to come on earth. If we have responsibility for the growth of our own faith, do we also have responsibility for the growth of God’s kingdom? How so?

APPLICATION

- In what ways can you be tending to the growth of your faith in Jesus this week?
- How can your group be praying for you?