

# *Lesson 3 March 17*

## A different way to live. Matthew 13: 24-33

1. Matthew 13:24-30 is a parable we call the Parable of the Weeds; however, the kingdom of heaven is like the owner. What can we learn about the kingdom of heaven through the actions of the owner of the land?
2. Matthew 13:31-33 is the Parable of the Mustard Seed. We often relate this parable to the time Jesus tells us in Matthew 17:20 *“if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain”*. But look closely, the lesson on ‘mustard seed’ faith has not been preached yet. So, do your best to discern lessons about the kingdom of heaven from just this parable without referencing the lesson on faith. List what you see about the kingdom of heaven from this parable.
3. The lesson from the Parable of the Yeast is not explained in Matthew 13:33. Luke 13:21 gives a few words more about the comparison of the kingdom to yeast. You may need to do a little more study to find how yeast works. With your understanding of how yeast affects bread, what have you learned about the present reality of how God’s Kingdom can affect us?