



Jesus said:
“What is God’s kingdom like?
What story can I use to explain it?”

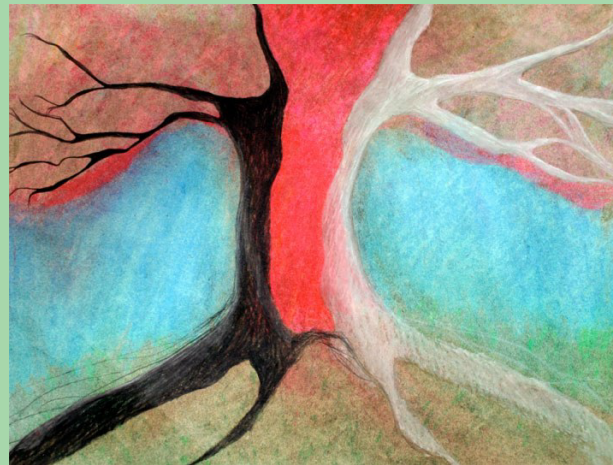
It is like what happens when a mustard seed
is planted in the ground.
It is the smallest seed in all the world.
But once it is planted,
it grows larger than any garden plant.
It even puts out branches that are big enough
for birds to nest in its shade.”

Mark 4:30-32

“The kingdom of God is as if
someone would scatter seed on the ground,
and would sleep and rise night and day,
and the seed would sprout and grow,
she does not know how.

The earth produces of itself,
first the stalk, then the head,
then the full grain in the head.
But when the grain is ripe,
at once she goes in with her sickle,
because the harvest has come.”

Mark 4:26-29



Seeds
of Grace



**Growing our spiritual power with
the Word planted in our hearts**

Sacred Stories Class

Wednesday, 1:00-2:30 PM

Sacred Stories is a
Circle of the Word program.

Sacred Stories Class

Biblical stories have been a source of hope, courage, and wisdom for many people.

They can be for us. In each Sacred Stories class we learn, tell, and interact with one biblical story through different activities.

We explore connections to our lives. We listen for words of comfort and guidance from the Holy Spirit.

This Fall you are invited to get to know Jesus by learning the beginning of his good story according to Mark. When Jesus is our friend we are never alone.

In December we will journey to Bethlehem. But who will show us the way? The prophets will, and Mary and Joseph, the shepherds, and the Magi, until we finally meet the Christ child.

You will receive a certificate of participation for every 4 classes you attend. If you attend 8 classes you will receive an illustrated book, *Everyday Life in Bible Times*. But the best gift you will receive is the Word of God planted in your heart.

The Stories

- Sep 10 Beginning of the Good Story (Mark 1:1-3)
- Sep 17 John in the Wilderness (Mark 1:4-8)
- Sep 24 Baptism (Mark 1:9-11)
- Oct 1 Testing (Mark 1:12-14, Matthew 4:1-11)
- Oct 8 Beginning of Ministry (Mark 1:14-15)
- Oct 15 Calling the Disciples (Mark 1:16-20)
- No Class Oct 22
- Oct 29 Casting Out an Unclean Spirit (Mark 1:21-28)
- Nov 5 Healing Simon's Mother-in-Law (Mark 1:29-34)
- Nov 12 Jesus Goes on Tour (Mark 1:35-39)
- Nov 19 Cleansing a Leper (Mark 1:40-45)
- No Class Nov 26
- Dec 3 The Prophets (Isaiah 9:1-6)
- Dec 10 Mary and Joseph (Matthew 1:18-23, Luke 1:26-38)
- Dec 17 The Shepherds (Luke 2:8-15)
- Dec 24 The Magi (Matthew 2:1-12)
- Dec 31 The Christ Child (Luke 2:1-7)

Keep Growing

Grace United Methodist Church
Sunday Worship 10:30 AM

1001 Harvard Blvd.
Dayton, OH 45406
Rev. Amelia Boomershine
278-4731

Greater Love Christian Church
Sunday School 8 AM
Sunday Worship 9 AM
Bible Study Tuesdays 6 PM
Friday Worship 7 PM

2345 Lakeview Ave
Dayton, OH 45417
Gayle Miller, Minister
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Women's Circle
Thursday 7 PM

Baha'i Center
819 Salem Ave
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Rev. Beth Holten
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