



Big Idea: Glory in God's kingdom springs from humility.

- **Glory in God's kingdom has nothing to do with perceived human greatness; it is about simple HUMILITY (James 4:6).**
 - There is one clear factor that all three examples have in common: **LOWLY** beginnings.
 - Of all the people in the synagogue, Jesus passes by those who pretend like they have life figured out and gives healing grace to one lowly woman who knows she doesn't (v. 12-13).
 - **The message of the kingdom is this: God comes to unexpected people and does unexpected things in unexpected ways with unexpected power through UNASSUMING people.**
 - Both the mustard seed and yeast have one thing in common— they start off small and eventually yield results far greater than anyone could expect or imagine.
 - The kingdom of God starts in unexpectedly small and humble ways, yet it **GROWS** over time in unforeseen ways and produces unimaginable results.
 - **Jesus is glorified above all because gave up His glory. He is given supreme POWER because He became WEAK (Philippians 2:5-11).**
- Come to Christ empty handed and humble.**
- These parables are meant to teach us that the power of God is only given to **HUMBLE** people.

- If you will not acknowledge your weakness, then you will never gain God's grace. Unless you come helpless you will never receive healing.
- Are you sincerely ready to acknowledge that this bread and this cup represent every iota of hope for you and for the world?