

Lesson Thirteen: The Mystery of the Seed Growing

Text: Mark 4:26-29

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26 And he said, So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground;

27 And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how.

28 For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear.

29 But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come. (KJV)

Notes

1. Briefly summarize this parable.
2. List other parables of Jesus which used “seed” to teach their lesson. Tell the meaning of each.
3. What does the “seed” represent in this parable?
4. In what way does man not know how a seed grows?
5. In what way is it true that “the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself ” (NKJV: “yields crops by itself ”)?
6. What do the following figures represent?
 - a. The sower.
 - b. The earth.
 - c. The harvest.
7. What is the main lesson of this parable?
8. What applications can be made of this parable today?