

Personal Study and Discussion Guide

“Lake Life” **“Parables by the Lake”**

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Read: [Mark 4](#)

1. The KINGDOM of GOD is scattered broadly (Mark 4:1-20)

Read: [Mark 4:1-2](#), [Mark 4:9](#), [Mark 4:10-12](#), [Isaiah 6:8-10](#), [Mark 4:13-20](#)

2. The KINGDOM of GOD is intentional (Mark 4:21-25)

Read: [Mark 4:21-22](#), [Mark 4:23-25](#), [James 1:22](#), [James 2:16-17](#), [Matthew 6:14-15](#), [Luke 6:38](#)

3. The KINGDOM of GOD operates on GOD’s timeline (Mark 4:26-29)

Read: [Mark 4:26-29](#)

4. The KINGDOM of GOD is powerful (Mark 4:30-34)

Read: [Mark 4:30-32](#), [2 Corinthians 12:9](#), [Mark 4:33-34](#)

Generic Questions that can also be asked:

- What stood out to you this week?
- Was there anything that you found confusing or troubling in the passages from this week?
- Did anything make you think differently about God?
- How might this change the way that we live?