

## Innovative Truth Bringing Scripture to Life

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Dear Friend,

We're diving into the parables!

Last week we started a new adventure with the in-person groups as well as the online Discord group. Few of the new participants were familiar with the parables. What better way to build a deeper relationship with Jesus than to learn straight from Him. So I created a comprehensive list of the more than 40 parables. We introduced the Parable of the Great Feast to kick it off, teaching that we should not ignore the invitation from God. Yesterday we discussed the Parable of the Foolish Builders and next up are the Parable of the Mustard Seed and Parable of the Yeast.

We are so grateful for the input and participation from **YOU** our ministry partners, and to those who joined the Discord group to support these young folks with us. Your prayers have been felt!

I know the Discord social media platform is new to many of you. We didn't even know what it was until our own kids (now in their mid 20's and up) explained how it works. It has definitely been a learning curve for us, but I didn't choose the word "INNOVATIVE" in our ministry name because I was afraid to try new things. So here we are teaching the parables of Jesus to a group of mostly non-Christians, most whom have never read the Bible, and others who have chosen to walk away from Christianity after feeling hurt by those

claiming to be Christians. The groups run the gamut making it a tricky tightrope to navigate. We even have a professed Norse Pagan in one group, so that's been interesting.

Regardless, we continue to stand on Holy Scripture and share God's truth with love. While I cannot give details out of respect for her privacy, a young lady who had been transitioning to male halted all hormones and the transitioning lifestyle. She said she heard the messages we shared and was ready to step away from what the world taught her was normal. She's asked her friends to use her proper "SHE/HER" pronouns. We, mostly Tonya, have been ministering to her for well over a year. There were a lot of tears the day the young lady said she wanted to stop rejecting who God created her to be. That's the power in the Parable of the Yeast, the Sower and the Seed, the Prodigal Son and others; we don't know when the Holy Spirit will reach their heart. With your support, we keep sharing God's message of love, forgiveness, and teaching them to turn from sin and surrender to Him. God will take care of the rest.

Your faithful partnership is changing lives!

With all our love,