

**My Church**  
**A place to grow**

**Key Words:**

**develop, start, begin, learn, unite, thrive, flourish,**  
**increase, spring up, strengthen, pain**

**Key Passage:**

**A parable is a word picture used to make**  
**the complex understandable**

*“And He was saying, The kingdom of God is like a man who casts seed upon the soil; and he goes to bed at night and gets up by day, and the seed sprouts and grows--how, he himself does not know. The soil produces crops by itself; first the blade, then the head, then the mature grain in the head. But when the crop permits, he immediately puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.” Mark 4:26-29*

**Key Concepts**

1. **Two mysterious kingdoms lobby for our devotion;**  
**we can only choose one**
2. **Kingdom growth makes the invisible visible**
3. **In the growth process the seed is a given;**  
**the soil types vary**
4. **The reaper waits for the harvest growth to be completed**

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