

## Discussion Guide for "Seeds of the Kingdom"

## You Had to Be There Week 8

When we consider the evil in the world at large, or the evil we see in our own hearts, we can become discouraged. We feel that God's way may never come in our world. But Jesus compares his new way to a mustard plant – in our day, he could have used a computer virus. The point is that his way is inevitable, unstoppable and totally counter to the dominant ways of our world. Jesus' way starts small, but once it gets going, not even the gates of Hell can stand against him!

## Scriptures for Further Reading

Matthew 13:31-32 Ezekiel 17:22-24 Matthew 16:13-20 Romans 8:26-39 Revelation 3:7-13

## **Questions for Discussion**

- 1. What do you see as the biggest barriers to God's Way coming on Earth?
- 2. Why does Jesus compare his Way to a computer virus (or a mustard seed)? Why use the negative imagery?
- 3. Read Matthew 16:13-20 and Romans 8:26-30. How do these verses address the list you made in question #1?
- 4. How do Jesus' promises change the way you look at your daily life? At the larger world?
- 5. What does it look like for you to be part of God's Computer Virus Kingdom this week?