


1 **Read Acts 28:23-30.** Find and share the two instances of the Kingdom of God. How do verses 26-27 implicitly talk of the Kingdom of God?


 *Reflect on the beginning of the Jesus's ministry and the fact of Paul sharing the gospel in Rome. How does this reflection connect with the parables of the mustard seed and leaven?*

2 **What is the Kingdom of God?** Read Luke 4:18-19 and compare it to Luke 13:10-21. Make 3 observations about the Kingdom of God.

 *Share your thoughts about what the Kingdom of God is not. Then share what the Kingdom of God is.*

3 **What kind of kingdom did the disciples want and expect?** Explain how the kingdom of God is "Already, but not yet."

 *What were demonstrations of God's Kingdom in the New Testament? What are demonstrations of God's Kingdom today?*

 *What is our role in building the kingdom of God?*

4 **Jesus sought out the weak and despised and brought healing.** How did Jesus build the kingdom through the healing of the woman? *How can we do the same?*

⚙️ *Why did Jesus heal her on the Sabbath?*

♥️ *What about the rest of those afflicted by the effects of sin? Why did Jesus not heal everyone?*

5 **In what ways is the Kingdom of God opposed in our text?** How is the kingdom of God opposed today?

💬 *What can we be assured of even as God's kingdom is opposed?*

💬 *What can you do to hold out hope when the kingdom of God seems small or indecipherable?*

#### **Prayer Points**

- *Father God, your name is to be praised. We want your kingdom to reign and your will to be done on earth as it is in heaven.*
- *We depend on you for daily bread. Please help us to forgive others because you first forgave us.*
- *Do not allow us to wander back to our sinful habits and patterns. Rather, Deliver us from any evil.*
- *Remind us that even when your kingdom looks small to our earthly eyes, you are doing eternal work.*
- *We acknowledge that you are the king of the universe, you have all power, and you deserve all glory, forever.*