As many of us already know, life itself preaches the Gospel. Even the natural world around us proclaims it. This is because all of creation is designed by God to point back to Him. The Apostle Paul writes:

For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Romans 1:20 (ESV)

This means that a person granted spiritual wisdom can observe nature and life and discover deep truths about the Kingdom of God. Every part of God's creation carries fingerprints of the Creator. The problem is not lack of evidence—but lack of perception

### Jesus Used All Things to Teach the Kingdom

Our Lord Jesus Christ often revealed this truth by using simple, everyday things to explain deep spiritual realities. He used parables—stories drawn from life—to reveal the mysteries of the

Kingdom. He frequently said, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like..."

In one example, He said:

The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away.

Matthew 13:24-25 (ESV)

This parable reveals spiritual truths: the work of the enemy, the growth of the true Church, and the final judgment. The wheat and the weeds grow together until the harvest—a picture of both the visible Church and the invisible Church, and the final separation at Christ's return (see Matthew 13:36-43 for Jesus' explanation).

In another parable, He says:

A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path... some on rocky ground... others among thorns... and some on good soil.

Matthew 13:3-9 (ESV)

Even sowing seed becomes a metaphor for preaching the Word. The condition of the soil represents the condition of the human heart. The seed is the Word of God (Luke 8:11). This teaches us that the Gospel is not only preached in churches, but also through nature—if we have ears to hear.

Unlikely Places Where the Gospel Speaks

Even in unexpected or seemingly negative events, Gospel truths can be seen.

# 1. The Thief in the Night

Jesus compares His return to the arrival of a thief at night:

But understand this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake... Therefore, you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Matthew 24:43-44 (ESV)

This teaches urgency, watchfulness, and readiness. Just as thieves come unexpectedly, so will the return of Christ. It reminds us not to sleep spiritually.

## 2. The Dishonest Manager (Corruption)

In Luke 16:1-12, Jesus tells the story of a corrupt steward. Although the man is dishonest, Jesus uses the parable to teach about the wisdom of preparing for the future:

For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.

Luke 16:8 (ESV)

The point is not to imitate corruption, but to use worldly resources wisely for eternal purposes (Luke 16:9).

Nature and Daily Life Proclaim the Kingdom

## The Gospel is hidden in:

**Trees and Plants** — "The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed..." — Matthew 13:31-32

**Birds** — "Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap... yet your heavenly Father feeds them." — Matthew 6:2

**Baking** — "The kingdom of heaven is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour..." — Matthew 13:33

**Trade and Business** — "The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls..." — Matthew 13:45-46

**Fishing** — "The kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind." — Matthew 13:47

**Employment** — "For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early to hire laborers for his vineyard..." — Matthew 20:1-10

**Marriage and Invitations** — "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son...Matthew 22:1-14

This tells us that spiritual truths are not locked inside the church walls. They are embedded in creation, work, marriage, food, and relationships.

#### The Example of Solomon

King Solomon became wise not just because he asked—but because he observed everything through the lens of divine truth:

He spoke of trees... animals, birds, reptiles, and fish.

1 Kings 4:33-34 (ESV)

He studied all things in creation and extracted divine principles from them. People from all nations came to hear his wisdom—because God was the source of it.

Technology, Animals, and Natural Order Speak

Technology (Phones, Internet)

News today can travel across the globe within minutes. This reveals a deeper truth: nothing we do is hidden from God. The Bible says:

No creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Hebrews 4:13 (ESV)

#### **Animals and Natural Order**

Animals follow their natural design. There is no confusion of gender or roles. This reminds us that homosexuality and lesbianism are contrary to God's created order:

For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions... women exchanged natural relations... men committed shameless acts...

Romans 1:26-27 (ESV)

You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an abomination.

Leviticus 18:22 (ESV)

Legal Systems Reflect God's Final Judgment

Human justice systems mirror God's divine judgment.

 $Arrest \rightarrow Custody \rightarrow Court \rightarrow Prison$ 

Likewise, when someone persists in sin and dies unrepentant, they are essentially "arrested" by death and sent to Hades (hell) —a temporary holding place:

...It is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment.

Hebrews 9:27 (ESV)

At the final judgment, they will be judged before the Great White Throne:

And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne... and if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Revelation 20:11-15 (ESV)

Just like earthly courts bring justice to society, God's throne will bring perfect justice to all mankind.

## **Do Not Take Salvation Lightly**

When we begin to see the Gospel being proclaimed in every area of life, we will no longer treat salvation casually. We will revere it, protect it, and cherish it. Salvation is not a small matter. It is the most precious gift ever offered to mankind:

How shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation?

Hebrews 2:3 (ESV)

Conclusion: Open Our Eyes, Lord

These are the last days. We must ask the Holy Spirit to open our eyes to see the Gospel in everything and to live in a way that honors Christ.

The unfolding of your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple.

Psalm 119:130 (ESV)

May the Lord help us to see His Gospel in all things, and may He give us wisdom to walk in His truth. Amen.

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