

# Sermon-based Small Groups

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1stPresDowntown

## The Hidden Kingdom

Luke 17:20-21

Week of April 28, 2024

### **This week's scripture:**

<sup>20</sup> Once Jesus was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, and he answered, "The kingdom of God is not coming with things that can be observed; <sup>21</sup> nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There it is!' For, in fact, the kingdom of God is among you."

**Scripture Reflection Questions:** Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:

- What do we learn about God (e.g., traits, personality, what matters, priorities) in this passage?
- What do we learn about people, and ourselves in particular, this week?

**Sermon Reflection Questions:** Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:

- Pastor McLane said that a fundamental temptation among people is the desire to domesticate and control God's presence and power. In what ways do you find yourself participating in this temptation?
- We are participants, not architects, of the Kingdom of God. How do you participate in this Kingdom in your own life?