

ALL IT TAKES

Sermon Notes for Sunday, September 13, 2026. Based on Rev. Dr. Chris Heckert's sermon.

The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches. – Matthew 13:31-32

1. The power of a seed is not found in its size but in its _____
(or _____).
2. Jesus was teaching the crowds that your faith doesn't have to look like the _____
_____ to be powerful or produce fruit.
3. Roots actually grow deeper when they are in _____ in
search of water.
4. Instead of being perfectly placed by a gardener, nature often _____
seeds into unexpected places.
5. A seed must be _____ if it is ever going to grow roots and bear fruit.
6. Orchids don't hate water, but if overwatered, they die from
_____.

Questions for Reflection

1. What "small seed" of faith, potential, or opportunity do you currently hold that feels inadequate or insignificant, and how can you surrender its outcome to God?
 2. Are you currently experiencing a "dry season" in your life, and how might God be using this difficult period to encourage your roots to grow deeper in search of God?
 3. In what ways have you felt scattered or placed in an unexpected or imperfect environment, and what is one practical step you can take this week to "bloom where you are planted"?
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