

Mustard Seed Faith – *Starts Small And Grows*

Mark 4: 30-34

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Verse 30 - 31

The Kingdom of God – A Mustard Seed
Whutt!?!

People have different views of the Kingdom of God:

- 1) Most who claim to be Christian believe they are in the kingdom – the proof is in the pudding!
- 2) Many Christians believe the Kingdom of God means my life is going to be wonderful
- 3) Some don't believe in the Kingdom of God, or don't believe in God, *period!*
- 4) The disciple's view of the Kingdom of God is a kingdom now, vast and huge, with Jesus ruling now!

Jesus floors the disciples with the kingdom being like a tiny mustard seed:

All it takes is a little faith to change the course of your world – *mustard seed faith!*

Verse 32

What is the significance of the birds?

VIEW #1 – THE BIRDS ARE EVIL

The wheat and tares parable is prior to the mustard seed parable in Matthew

Tares could be cult groups or fake believers planted in the kingdom to lead people away from the truth

The harvest will reveal who is genuine and who is false



Wheat...bowed over



Tares...stand tall

We are living in a time of great apostasy, a falling away from the true faith

Facilitated by a massive increase in technology, introducing unbiblical influences into our minds

Deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons have been invited into the Church, and most are unaware

Timothy speaks of this deception in [1 Timothy 4: 1-2](#)

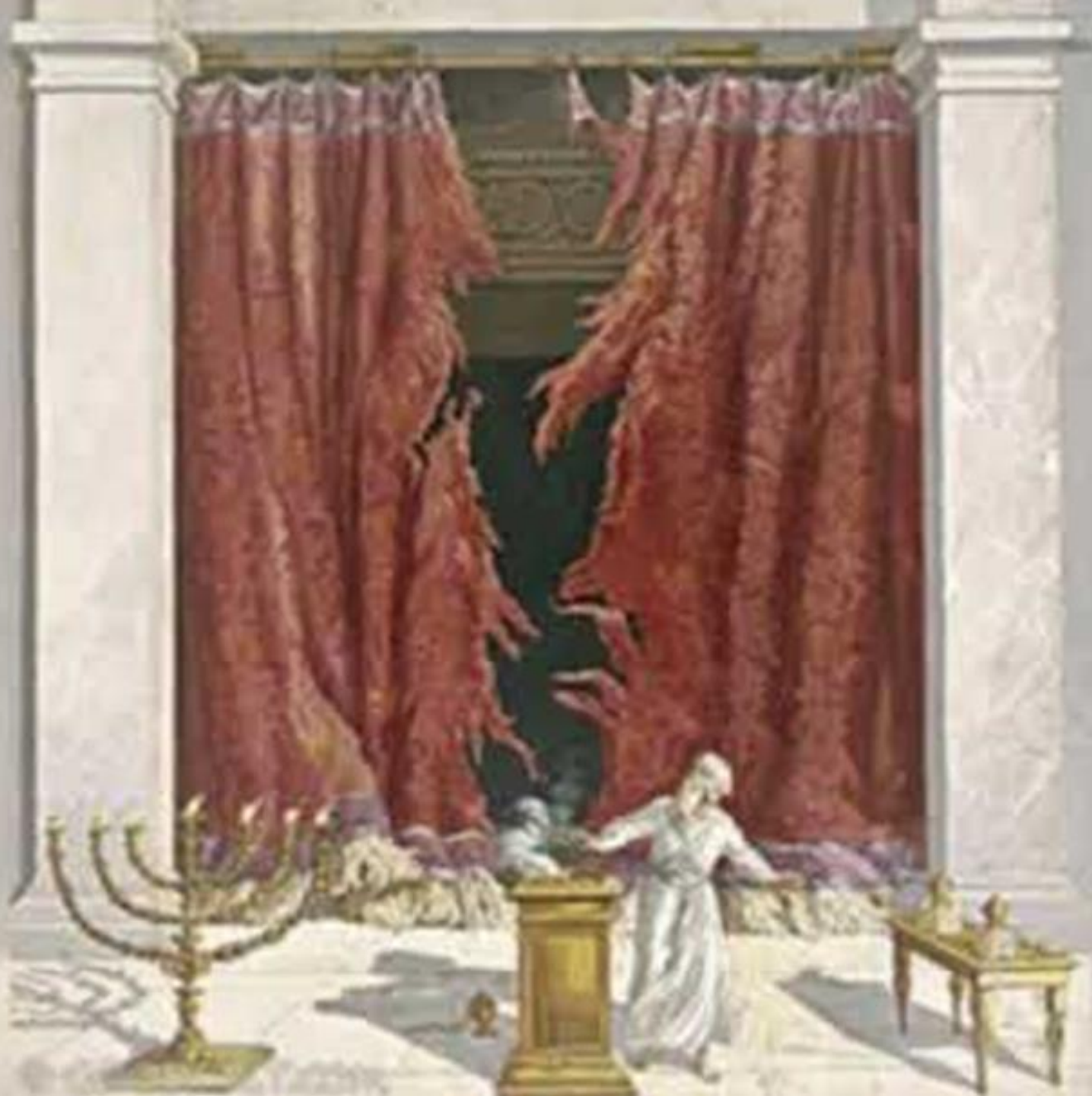
VIEW #2 – THE BIRDS ARE GOOD – *True Converts, Jew and Gentile in the Kingdom*

What we do know:

Jew and Gentile will compose the Kingdom of God

Jews are saved through Jesus and Gentiles are saved through Jesus

Only Christ breaks down the wall of prejudice and reconciles all believers to God in one body



Could it be both are true?

God's plan has always been to the Jew first,
then to the Greek (*the Gentiles*) – Romans 1: 16

Verse 33 - 34

**Jesus is really looking for those who really
want him**

Parabolic teaching is for those to think deeply, to ponder deeply, what Jesus was saying

This change was precipitated by the nation's final rejection of the kingdom offer by Messiah

Jesus came to offer the kingdom to the Jewish people

**Matthew 4: 17 – *“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”*
(Jew first)**

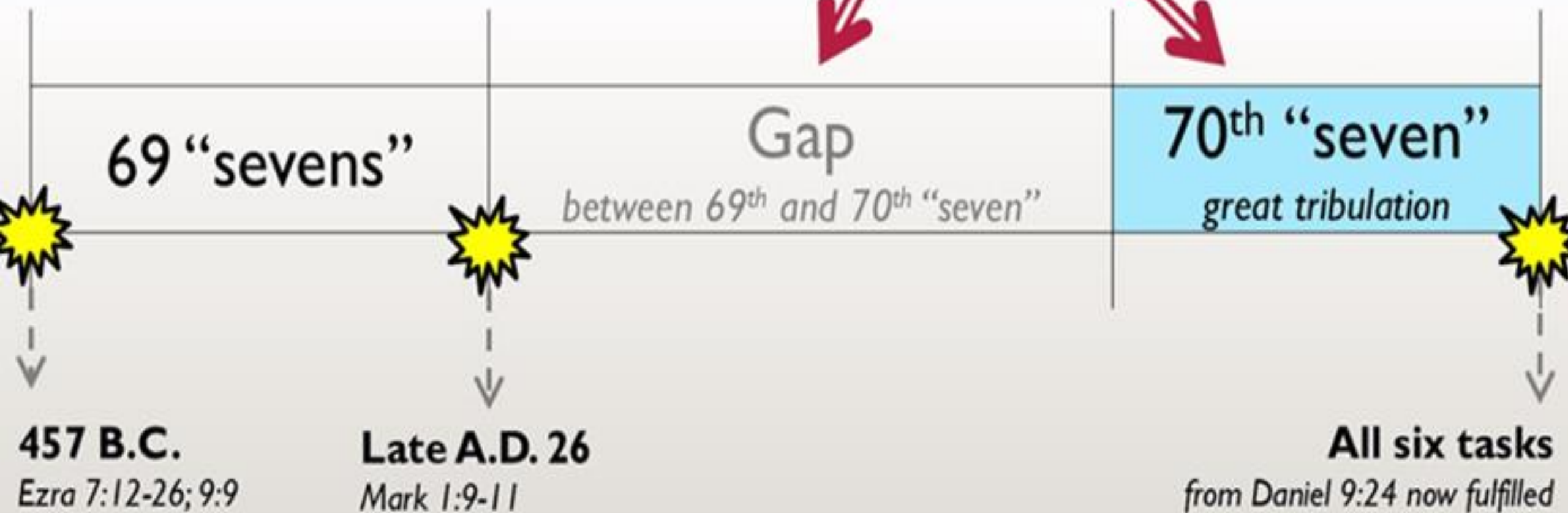
Matthew 10: 5-6 – *“Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”* (Jew first)

**Acts 1: 6a-7 – *“Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom of Israel?”*
(Jew first)**

After the 62nd seven (i.e., 69th seven in total):

- *Messiah will be cut off and have nothing.*
- *People will destroy Jerusalem + sanctuary.*

When does all this happen?



The kingdom offer was postponed, not permanently rescinded

Contrary to what many believe today, God is NOT through with Israel

At the end of the Tribulation, there will be the national regeneration of Israel, God says so – Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Closing Thoughts

**It is doubtful that the majority are
ever correct**

One of the biggest influencers today are the “*others*”

Others are doing it - it must be okay – **WRONG!!**

It is doubtful that the majority are ever correct – **WHY?**

The DEPRAVITY of mankind!

There is a huge danger in **GROUP THINK!**

GROUP THINK IS WRONG THINK!

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BE DIFFERENT!

SUMMARY:

Get away from the maddening crowd!

Get alone with Jesus and think rightly - *Meditate on God's Word!*

Think Biblically; think about what you are doing; *do not go along with the majority!*

It is doubtful that the majority are ever correct!

FOLLOW THE JESUS ROAD!

SELAH!

***TAKE A BREATH AND PONDER THE
TRUTH OF GOD'S WORD!***