

The Importance of Little Things

Again he said, "What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade."

Mark 4:30-32

Christian Care Communities began 125 years ago with a small act of kindness. Brother William Broadhurst promised to take care of the young son of a dying widow. Such acts of kindness have been a part of Christian Care to this very day.

A hand held when someone is afraid.
A resident patiently fed.
A nurse carefully crushes a pill to make it easier to swallow.
A meal served.
The linens on a bed changed.
Words of comfort spoken.
A TV channel changed.
A prayer offered.
A bed is raised or lowered to bring more comfort.
A sink unstopped.
Help provided getting to a worship service.
The words "good morning" complete with a big smile.
Bible studies and worship services.
A face bathed and hair combed.
A listening ear.
A picture hung on an apartment wall.
Assistance getting to the dining room.
Help for someone playing bingo.

These are little things that grow and become BIG!

That's how it is with the gifts to Christian Care. A nickel here and a quarter there and the Fifth Sunday Offering becomes BIG! A church offering of \$10.00 joined with an offering of \$60.00 joined with offerings of a \$100.00 or more grows and becomes BIG! **August 30th is a fifth Sunday.** Let's celebrate as your Fifth Sunday gift joins other Fifth Sunday gifts and becomes BIG!

Jesus was saying in the "Parable of the Mustard Seed" that little acts of kindness and love when joined together become BIG and grow into God's Kingdom! So, let's celebrate the little things we are able to do for each other and God!!



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