

# Growing Up

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Mark each picture with a letter and number to indicate the group and order in which it belongs.  
 Hint: The stages of the plant are group *A*, the person group *B*, the duck group *C*, and the butterfly group *D*.

**BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

- Jesus used stories to help people understand what the kingdom of God is like.
- God's kingdom is like a mustard seed, which starts small but grows.
- God's kingdom is like a buried treasure, more valuable than anything else.
- God's growing kingdom is more valuable than anything.

**KEY PASSAGE:** Colossians 1:13-14

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

- How does God care for His creation? God loves and rules over His creation according to His perfect plan.

**FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

- What might we have to give up to gain God's kingdom?
- How can we help God's kingdom grow?
- Whom can we tell about God's kingdom?

**FAMILY ACTIVITY:**

- Work with your family to plant an indoor herb garden. Assign your kids daily tending tasks. Discuss how God's kingdom is like a seed.



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STORY POINT: **GOD'S GROWING KINGDOM IS MORE VALUABLE THAN ANYTHING.**

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