

# PARABLE OF THE WHEAT & THE TARES

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Jesus told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared. “The owner’s servants came to him and said, ‘Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?’ “ ‘An enemy did this,’ he replied. “The servants asked him, ‘Do you want us to go and pull them up?’ “ ‘No,’ he answered, ‘because while you are pulling the weeds, you may root up the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.’ ” Matthew 13:24-30

Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field.” He answered, “The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. “As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear. Matthew 13:36-43

This is a parable about the Kingdom.

**A Sower...** who is sowing good seed of the kingdom

**Field...** is the Word

**Wheat...** the good seed or the children of God within the Kingdom

**Tares...** the bad seed or the children of the devil within the Kingdom

**Enemy...** who is referred to all through scripture as the serpent, Satan, the devil.

**Harvest...** the end of the age when Jesus returns no longer to be the sacrifice for sins but to bring judgment and the fulfillment of God's Kingdom upon the earth.

**Angels...** are the harvesters!

**Lake of Fire...** awaits the children of the devil who continue to propagate evil

**Weeping & gnashing of teeth...** a destiny of immense pain and suffering

### LESSONS...

1. The enemy sowed bad seed while the servants were sleeping.

2. RELAX, mixture is normal for this season

WHEAT- a wholesome grain

TARES- a degenerate kind of wheat

3. Angels do the sorting- NOT US!

4. God has planted us in the field 'This World'- our role is to shine our light as bright as possible so that all may see the Kingdom of God within us.