



The Kingdom Dilemma Matthew 13:24-30; 47-51

The story of the Wheat and the Weeds

The story of the Dragnet

Jesus explains the dilemma.

He tells us:

- 1) All people will be brought to judgment.

- 2) All will end up in heaven or hell.
 - Justice demands it.
 - The kingdom requires it.

- 3) Forgiveness and transformation are found in Him.

- 4) Rejoice in forgiveness, pursue transformation, and share the Good News.

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REALife Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or REALife Group.

- 1) How often do you think about the end of time and the judgment of humanity? What are some of the feelings you have about these coming events?
- 2) As you read the parables of the weeds and the dragnet, what stands out to you? Does it appear to you that Jesus is trying to get His disciples to understand these ideas? How does He do that?
- 3) What is your response to the people in your life who reject the gift of forgiveness in Jesus? How does that hit you emotionally?
- 4) Do you share your faith often? Why or why not? Who are two people that need to hear the Good News from you?



Memory Verse

Matthew 13:41

“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.”