

SERMON NOTES

Date: May 23, 2021

Title: Weeds Among the Wheat

Text: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Big Idea: Christ's kingdom is a place that for now has both believers and unbelievers existing side by side, often indistinguishably. Yet, one day He will separate those who genuinely believe and bear fruit of godliness from those who do not.

APPLICATION GUIDE

DISCUSS

What does the *Parable of the Weeds Among the Wheat* illustrate?

Why is this parable important for followers of Christ to know?

How does the story give believers hope to endure to the end?

How does it serve as a warning to those who continue to reject Christ?

APPLY THE TRUTH

Where has God specifically planted you to be a shining light for him?

What does it mean for you to “be all there for as long as you’re there,” in these places?

In what ways do you see the work of the devil mimic the work of Christ to lead you and others astray?

How can you keep the enemy’s influence from overcrowding your spiritual growth and fruitfulness?

Identify one way you can do the following as you wait for the Lord and the end of the age.

- plant seeds
- promote growth
- pray for harvest

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