

**THE TRUE GOSPEL**  
**100 SCRIPTURES ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF GOD**

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**THE KINGDOM IS LIKE A HARVEST OF WHEAT AND TARES**

Mat 13:24 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The **KINGDOM OF HEAVEN** is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

Mat 13:26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

Mat 13:27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares?

Mat 13:28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?

Mat 13:29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.

Mat 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

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Mat 13:36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

Mat 13:37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

Mat 13:38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked [one];

Mat 13:39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

Mat 13:40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.

Mat 13:41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;

Mat 13:42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Mat 13:43 Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the **KINGDOM OF THEIR FATHER**. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Note: All those whom God calls to believe and obey the Gospel message of the Kingdom of Heaven are called the 'Children of the Kingdom'. They are now in a period of growth producing the wheat which is the good fruit of the Kingdom that God will gather and keep in the time of harvest. The tares or weeds are also growing among them, but are producing nothing of value to God. In the end of the world at the harvest God will reject and cast them out of his

Kingdom. At that time those whom God keeps in his Kingdom will be able to SHINE LIKE THE SUN. Imagine the great power we will have to be able to shine like the sun!

Many people pray to God with a focus on asking what 'God can do for me'. But the focus of a Christian must be on producing fruit for God. Mat 3:5-10 shows just how crucial it is for Christians to be busy producing good fruit. When the Pharisees came to John asking to be baptized, he said to them, "bring forth fruits meet (fitting) for repentance.... and now the ax is laid unto the root of the trees. Any tree not producing good fruit is cut down and cast into the fire."

Here are other scriptures showing what the fruits are that God is looking for and things that can cause us to become fruitful or unfruitful...

\*Titus 3:14 And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.

\*Col 1:10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

\*2Pe 1:8 For if these things (faith, virtue, knowledge; temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness, charity) be in you, and abound, they make [you that ye shall] neither [be] barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

\*Mar 4:19 And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful.

\*Luk 8:14 And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of [this] life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

\*Jhn 15:5 I am the vine, ye [are] the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

\*Jhn 15:8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

\*Jhn 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and [that] your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

\*Rom 6:22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

\*Gal 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

\*Eph 5:9 (For the fruit of the Spirit [is] in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

\*Hbr 12:11 Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

\*Hbr 13:15 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of [our] lips giving thanks to his name.

\*Phl 1:11 Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

In the parable of the wheat and the tares the word tares is 'zizanian' in Greek meaning darnel or false grain, a weed that tends to take over grain fields. Persian darnel sneaks up on grain producers because it grows beneath the grain canopy and is often not detected until one drives into patches of it at harvest and sees how it completely smothered out the grain crop. The

message to Christians is that they not only must be busy doing the work of their Father and producing the good fruit of the Kingdom, but also watch out that they are not influenced and 'smothered out' in their growing to Christian maturity by false Christians who are growing among them.

This parable tells us that the doctrine of going to Heaven or Hell when we die is a false doctrine because all people obviously do not die at the same time. This parable tells us that there is one event called the 'harvest' that takes place, not upon our death, but at 'the end of the world' when the determination shall be made whether we enter into the Kingdom of God or are burned up as the tares.