

6. What is something that the Old Testament saints knew nothing about?
7. We live in a mystery form of what today?
8. The mystery form of the kingdom on earth is composed of people who are in what?
9. What phrase does Jesus use to begin all but one of the parables in chapter 13?
10. Is it possible for someone to appear to be a citizen of the kingdom by their outward appearance, but not really be a citizen?
11. In 1st century Israel, in an attempt to ruin a good crop, a man's enemies would do what?
12. Tares were a kind of weed that could hardly be distinguished from wheat until what time?
13. If a person had tares in his wheatfield when was the best time to deal with them?
14. Jesus told this story to picture what?
15. From verse 27 we know that the sower and the seed are what?
16. The man in this parable represents whom?
17. The servants represent whom?
18. What would the people not have been able to understand about the parable that Jesus told?
19. Whose responsibility is it to spread the gospel?
20. What are the two types of people in the world?
21. Is it easy to recognize the children of the devil from the children of God?
22. Being nice, kind, thoughtful, seeking to be moral, and looking a certain way doesn't make anyone what?
23. What does Satan want to do with the distinctions between children of God and children of Satan?
24. It is immensely unpopular to say what about a huge portion of humanity?
25. There are many what in Christianity and in churches?
26. Many non-believers have been deceived into believing that they are a Christian because they did what kinds of things?
27. Verse 42 is unmistakably a reference to what?
28. Why does Jesus add the last statement to what He said, in verse 43?
29. What are two things we shouldn't be (Bryan uses, "Don't be")?

30. What is the scariest part of Matthew 7:22-23?

31. Does this describe you?

32. Do you genuinely know Christ as your own personal Lord and Savior?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

»»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

»»How can I accomplish this change?

»»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1. Read Matthew 1:1-13:32 one time.**
- 2. Read Matthew 13 each day this week.**
- 3. Look up "mustard seed" in an Encyclopedia and read some basic facts about it.**
- 4. What do you believe is the main point of the parable of the mustard seed?**

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THE WHEAT AND THE TARES

Matthew 13:24-30; 36-43

(Series #77)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: "**The Wheat and The Tares**". All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. How many parables are found in Matthew 13?
2. Jesus changed his style of teaching for what two reasons?
 - a. To continue revealing _____ to the disciples and to do so by using stories to which they could _____.
 - b. To _____ truth from _____.
3. In what chapter in Matthew did the religious leaders make their wilful and final choice to reject Jesus as their Messiah?
4. Why was it an act of judgment for Jesus to begin to teach in parables?
5. Jesus teaching in parables was also an act of mercy because if Jesus had continued to give them more truth, what would increase?

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