

Read John 1:12, 8:31-32 and 10:27, and 2 Peter 3:9.

1. What does it mean to side with Jesus? List some of the criterion.

2. Discuss how a person decides to side with Jesus.

Jesus said, "Whoever isn't with me is against me. Whoever doesn't gather with me scatters" Matthew 12:30. **Read the parable of "the weeds in the wheat" in Matthew 13:24-29, and 36-43** and answer the following:

1. At the end of the day, or in this case the age, how many types of people are there in the world? Do you think there is room for fence sitters?

2. Why doesn't God just destroy all those who are not on his side (v 29 See also 2 Peter 3:9)?

Action Steps:

Baptism is a public declaration of inward decision to place your faith and trust in Jesus and to follow Him. It also helps believers put a stake in the ground to be sure they are on Jesus' side of the fence.

1. Have you been baptized? If not, why not let the pastoral staff know and they'll sign up for the next baptism.

2. Is there another stake you can pound into the dirt to become more fully grounded with Jesus on His side of the fence? Can you do that this week?