The Kingdom of Heaven is Like Let's Go Fishing Discover Church Mark Phillips June 1, 2025

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- Planting Seeds
- Watch Out for Weeds
- Little Becomes Big
- It's Everywhere
- Hidden Treasure

Let's Go Fishing

"Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish. When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away. This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Matthew 13:47-50

Fishing With a Net

- 1. God will *judge* all people on the *last day*
- 2. God will gather the righteous for further service and safe keeping
- 3. God will discard as *worthless* those who are *unredeemed*

What Should I Do?

A. *Embrace* today as you *consider* your tomorrow

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad." 2 Corinthians 5:10

B. Make the *choice* on how you are going to *live*

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- 1. *Life*
- 2. Death
- 3. Destination
- 4. Resurrection
- 5. Repayment
- 6. Eternity

"You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat. It is written: "'As surely as I live,' says the Lord, 'every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God.'" So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God." Romans 14:10-12

C. Persevere through *hardships*, *disappointments*, and *pain*

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Mark 6:19-20

D. <u>Receive</u> your <u>rewards</u> in heaven

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven." Luke 6:23

"For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done." Matthew 16:27

"And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life." Matthew 19:29

"If anyone builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each person's work. If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward. If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved even though only as one escaping through the flames." 1 Corinthians 3:12-15

"Have you understood all these things?" Jesus asked. "Yes," they replied. He said to them, "Therefore every teacher of the law who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old." Matthew 13:51-52 The Kingdom of Heaven is Like Let's Go Fishing Discover Church Mark Phillips June 1, 2025

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