

SERMON NOTES

Shades Of Grey - Why Does God Allow Bad Things To Happen?

Executive Pastor Jason Kimberly - March 12, 2023

Parable of the Wheat and the Tares

24 Another parable He put forth to them, saying: "The kingdom of heaven is like a **man who sowed good seed** in his **field**; 25 but while men slept, his **enemy came and sowed tares** among the wheat and went his way. 26 But when the grain had sprouted and produced a crop, then the tares also appeared. 27 So the servants of the owner came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have tares?' 28 He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Do you want us then to go and gather them up?' 29 But he said, 'No, lest while you gather up the tares you also uproot the wheat with them. 30 Let both grow together until **the harvest**, and at the time of harvest I will say to **the reapers**, "First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn."

Matthew 13:24-30 NKJV

The Parable explained by Jesus

(Matthew 13:36-39 NKJV)

The man who sowed the good seed = the son of man (Jesus)

The field = the world

Good seed = sons of the kingdom

Tares = sons of the wicked one

The enemy who sowed = the devil

Harvest = the end of the age

Reapers = the angels

40 Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age. 41 The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, 42 and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!

Matthew 13:40-43 NKJV

Meditation Verse

The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent. 10 But the day of the Lord will come as unexpectedly as a thief. Then the heavens will pass away with a terrible noise, and the very elements themselves will disappear in fire, and the earth and everything on it will be found to deserve judgment.

2 Peter 3:9-10 NLT

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AWAKEN - NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Wednesday March 29th

Join us for time of soaking
in His Presence!



Join us next week as we continue our series "Shades of Grey".