The Kingdom of Heaven is Like, Part 5 Matthew #95 Matthew 13:47-50

The parable begins by saying the kingdom is like a net, the NASB and NKJV uses the term <u>dragnet</u>.

Dragnet describes a long fishing net lowered into the water and hanging vertically with floats along the top and weights along the bottom. The dragnet required a team of fishermen to operate and sometimes covered as much as a half square mile.

Just as the net gathered all types of fish, regardless of their value, so the gospel attracts many people who neither repent nor desire to follow Christ.

John 8:24; 2 Peter 3:7-10; Isaiah 45:21-22

Jesus places emphasis on the final judgment of the wicked.

Psalm 1:5-6

Perhaps no doctrine is harder to accept emotionally than the doctrine of hell. Yet it is too clear and too often mentioned in Scripture either to deny or to ignore. Jesus spoke more of hell than any of the prophets or apostles.