



Parable of the Weeds

Living with Evil

Parables of Jesus #5



1. The Seed

- The quality of the seed is important

1 Peter 1:23 *For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.*

2 Peter 1:3 *His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.*

1. The Seed

- If we find ourselves not growing, it's not the seed, but the soil.

Hosea 10:12 *Sow righteousness for yourselves, reap the fruit of unfailing love, and break up your unploughed ground; for it is time to seek the Lord, until he comes and showers his righteousness on you.*

2. The Wait

Matthew 13:25 *But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away.*

- It is difficult to tell the difference from a distance.

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2. The Wait.

2 Peter 3:9 *The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead, he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.*

- Human attempts to uproot evil prematurely risk harming the good.

Matthew 13:29 *“No,” he answered, ‘because while you are pulling the weeds, you may uproot the wheat with them.*

2. The Wait

Matthew 13:41 *The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil.*

3. The Promise

- At this point of time, good and evil co-exist.
- We have assurance of divine judgement.

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- Live faithfully
- Exercise discernment and mercy
- Trust God's timing
- Focus on growing rather than removing every weed.
- Justice will be served under God's authority.

