



REFLECTION // DISCUSSION RESOURCE
“The Kingdom of Heaven - The Parable of the Weeds”
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Throughout Matthew 13, Jesus told eight parables known as “The Kingdom Parables”. These stories and illustrations give us a deeper understanding of what the Kingdom of Heaven is like.

What first comes to mind when you think about completing this sentence - “The Kingdom of Heaven is like...”?

Read Matthew 13:24-30 & 13:37-43

Which aspect of this story stands out to you?

Jesus addresses the topics of evil and judgement in this parable. Are there any parts of this story that you struggle to accept?

In this parable, the Kingdom of Heaven is likened to “a man who sowed good seed into his field” (v24). The Kingdom isn’t just a place or a set of principles - it is also a person who we know is King Jesus.

Many people are pursuing the ideas of the Kingdom, but forgetting the King of the Kingdom. Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

Evil began with the evil one, and entered the world through our fall to temptation.

Read Romans 5:12-17. What did Jesus accomplish through the cross & the resurrection in regards to sin and death?

Jesus promised a day when good and evil would be sorted once and for all. This day will be dreadful for some, and wonderful for others.

How would you describe your attitudes and expectations toward the day Jesus returns and the angels complete the harvest?

How does this story challenge the way we’re called to live as King Jesus’ ambassadors?

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APPLICATIONS

Continue to carve out time and a place for prayer, and consider this parable when you pray the words “Your Kingdom come”.

How can you make a next step in your passion and commitment to mission / evangelism?

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PRAYER POINTS

Pray for our new Box Hill Community that recently launched. Pray for the families from the local area who came to stay and decide to connect.

Pray for Doc and Ami as they lead our church.

Pray for our Mission Partners such as Orange Baptist Church.

Pray by name for those 2-3 people your networks and neighbourhoods who don’t yet know Jesus.