



Good and Evil in the Kingdom of Heaven

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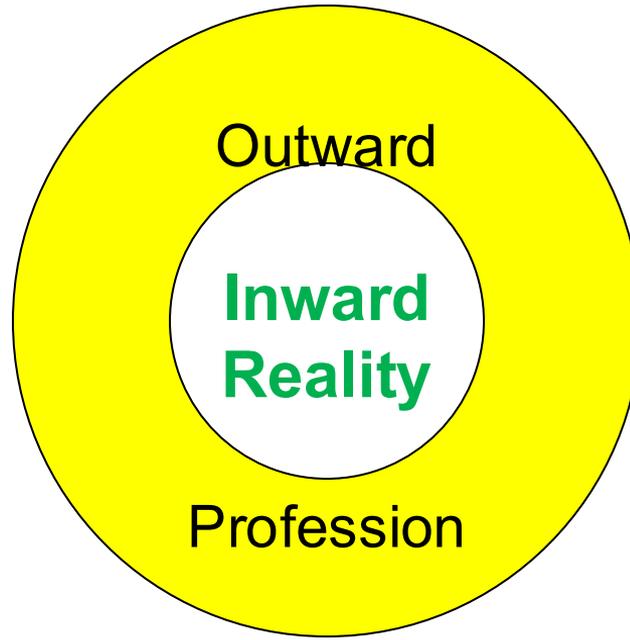
Matt. 13:24-43

I. Tares among the Wheat (v. 24-30)

Kingdom of Heaven

- The realm where heaven's (God's) rule is acknowledged.
- Introduced in Matthew 3 by John; spoken of 29 times in Matthew by the Lord Jesus.
- Used interchangeably with the "Kingdom of God" in the other gospels.

Two Aspects of the Kingdom



Illustrated by
parable of
wheat & tares

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II. Mustard Seed and the Birds (v. 31-32) (parallel Mark 4:30-32, Luke 13:18-19. Rev. 18:2)



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III. Leaven in the Flour (v. 33)

(v. 16:6,12, 1 Cor. 5:6-9, Acts 17:11)



IV. Reason for the Parables, part 2 (v. 34-35)
(v. 10-15, Psalm 78:2)

V. Tares among the Wheat Explained (v. 36-43)

A. Characteristics of the Tares (v. 41)

1. Stumbling Blocks

2. Practice Lawlessness (1 John 3:9)

3. Fruitless (v. 26, 22, 7:20)

B. Fate of the Tares (v. 42)

1. The Furnace of Fire

2. Weeping

3. Gnashing of Teeth

V. Tares among the Wheat Explained (v. 36-43)

C. Characteristics of the Wheat (v. 43)

1. Righteous (1 John 3:10)

2. Child of their Father

3. Fruitful (v. 23, 22, 7:20)

D. Fate of the Wheat (v. 42)

1. Shine forth as the sun (Daniel 12:3)

2. Welcomed by their Father