### Wheat & "Tarerism" 'TARErist' Leadership, Do You Stay on that ship?" 28 Parables of Jesus Series

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In Matthew 13 Jesus teaches a multitude of people by the sea gospel truths in a series of very powerful parables. In our past two lessons we examined two parables.

First Parable: Seed, sower, and soil (foundational parable of the following parables)

Second Parable: Parable of the growth of a seed (Mark 4:26-29) – Growing in Christ .. first the blade, ear, full ear then the harvest.

Three areas of focus was the kingdom of God, the sower, and the harvest

Kingdom of Heaven (Two kingdoms Spiritual & Physical)

- 1) Spiritual Kingdom of Grace (justification & sanctification by faith in Jesus) Spiritual (Now)
- 2) Physical Kingdom of Heaven (physical kingdom established at the second coming of Jesus Christ -

In order make into the to literal physical kingdom of heaven we must first be royalty in the kingdom of grace through the ministry of Jesus Christ, justified and sanctified by faith.)

The harvest for the heaven physical kingdom will be at the second coming of Jesus Christ. Are you ready for the harvest?

Today we are going to look at the third parable for the series... Wheat and Tares!

### What is the parable of the wheat and tares?

Mat 13:24 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The **kingdom of heaven** [Spiritual kingdom of Grace] is likened unto **a man** which sowed **good seed** in his **field**:

Mat 13:25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares [false grain] among the wheat, and went his way.

Mat 13:26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

Mat 13:27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, <u>didst not thou sow good seed</u> in thy field? from whence then hath it tares?

- Mat 13:28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The **servants** said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?
- Mat 13:29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.

Mat 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the <u>reapers</u>, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

### What are the nine main subjects in parable of the Wheat and Tares?

- 1. A Man (Householder)
- 2. Householder's FIELD
- 3. Good Seed Wheat
- 4. Servants of the Householder
- 5. Householder's Enemy
- 6. Bad Seed Tares
- 7. Harvest
- 8. Reapers

## <u>What are the lessons that Jesus is teaching in this parable as it relates to the Kingdom of Heaven (spiritual)?</u>

**Mat 13:36** Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

It is evident here that Jesus had specific lessons that He needed to teach His future leader servants of His one true church with no distractions.

### Who is the man, the householder, sowing the good seed?

Mat 13:37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

The Son of man is Jesus. He is householder that sows the good seed.

### Why does Jesus compare Himself to householder?

"Householder" Greek – HEAD of a family – Strong Hebrew and Greek Dictionary

### Who is the head of God's Church?

<u>Eph 4:15</u> But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, *even* Christ:

<u>Eph\_5:23</u> For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.

Jesus is the head of His one true church (spirit) – not a physically building, but made up of faithful people of God. They are "members" of the body of Christ that connected to the head of Christ by faith.

### Where does the Jesus Sow His good seed?

Parable HIS field (Jesus Christ's Field)

What does the field represent? DON'T MISS THIS!!!!

### Mat 13:38 The field is the world;

### Who is the creator and owner of this "field" the physical world we call Earth?

**Joh 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. Joh 1:2 The same was in the beginning with God.

Joh 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

Joh 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

**Eph 3:9** And to make all *men* see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

**Col 1:16** For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

Col 1:17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

Col 1:18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all *things* he might have the preeminence.

**Isa 45:18** For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I *am* the LORD; and *there is* none else.

Jesus is the creator, owner and buyer of the world. He created it. That makes Him owner of what he created. But Satan hijacked it and stole it, but Jesus bought it back by His blood! The Field is the WORLD, not the church. But the church of God is in the World.

# What is Jesus' prayer for those in His church by faith who are in the physical world called <u>Earth?</u>

Joh 15:19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

Joh 17:14 I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

Joh 17:15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

Joh\_17:16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

God's people are to live in the world called Earth, but we are not to partake in worldiness, its sinful desires and deeds.

### Remember, What is Worldliness?

#### 1 John 2:15-16

- 15 Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
- 16 For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

### What does good seed represent?

Parable of the sower, seed, and soil – What = <u>Luk 8:11</u> Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Who Does the Good Seed, WHEAT, the product of the good seed = represent?

Mat 13:38 "...good seed are the children of the kingdom;

Children of the kingdom of grace (spiritual) who are awaiting for Jesus Christ to come to established His physical kingdom of Heaven.

All the children of the kingdom, THE *WHEAT*, are members by faith in the one true church of God in which Jesus Christ is the Head.

### What is the difference between God's one true church and the physical church? Which one was established first?

Eph 4:4 *There is* one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; Eph 4:5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism, Eph 4:6 One God and Father of all, who *is* above all, and through all, and in you all.

One Body, ONE FAITH: One True Church – Spiritual (Law & Testimonies) All members abiding in Christ daily.

Jesus established His one true church. He is the ROCK....

### **One True Church is Pure and Holy Church Without Wrinkle**

Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; Eph 5:26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

**Eph 5:27** That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

### Spiritual Church Vs. Physical Church

### <u>Spiritual Church=</u>

- One True Church in with Christ is Head without spot or wrinkle.
- Collection of God's True people abiding in Jesus Christ by faith.
- Wheat = Good Seed = Children of the Kingdom
- No denominational name or affiliation.
- Last days known as "God's Remnant Church"
- Law and the Testimonies

### <u>Physical Church =</u>

- Local (flesh & blood) Congregations
- Collection of people who profess to be followers of Jesus Christ.
- Various denominations & ministries
- Different physical locations

### God's purpose of the physical Church

Physical Church > Kingdom of Grace (Spiritual)> Spiritual Church > Kingdom of Heaven (Physical)

Let's go back to the parable

### Who are the servants of the householder?

In this parable who is Jesus speaking to directly while he giving explanation? His twelve disciples. Future leaders of His church.

Jesus taught his disciples as leaders that they were to be humble servants that lead people to Truth. As pastors, deacons, or bishops, they are to walk worthy of their duty, ALWAYS uplifting Christ leading people to Jesus. As a shepherd of a flock, Christ leaders should be following the Good Shepherd, leading people to Him.

### What is the purpose of the leadership of Christ one true church?

**Eph 4:11** And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

### Eph 4:12 For the **perfecting of the saints**, for **the work of the ministry**, for the **edifying of the body of Christ**

### 3 main purposes of Christ Servant Leaders

- 1) Perfecting of the saints (How to have victory over sin!)
- 2) Work of the ministry (Training and encouraging personal evangelism)
- 3) Edifying (building up) Promote spiritual growth among the believers of Christ

All true leaders of Christ are in the physical church are themselves members of the spiritual one true church of Jesus.

### <u>What are some of examples of the Bible standards of leadership in Christ's one true church</u> <u>both physically & spiritually? True Servants of God.</u>

**Deacon Stephen = Full of Faith and the Holy Ghost** 

Acts 6:3-5

- 3 Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.
- 4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.
- 5 And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost...

### **Bishop = Overseer, Pastor (local group or oversee several church like a conference of church)** 1 Timothy 3:1-7

- 1 This *is* a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work.
- 2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach;
- 3 Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous;
- 4 One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity;
- 5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)
- 6 Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.
- 7 Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

### **Deacon = Take care of the necessities of the people and church especially at the local level** 1 Timothy 3:8-13

- 8 Likewise *must* the deacons *be* grave, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;
  9 Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.
- 10 And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being *found* blameless.
- 11 Even so *must their* wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.
- 12 Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well.
- 13 For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

### <u>Church Leadership, especially pastors are not to be "kings" or "lords" over the physical local</u> <u>church congregation that they are suppose to lead. What does Peter say about this?</u>

### 1 Peter 5:1-4

- 1 The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:
- 2 Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight *thereof*, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;
- 3 Neither as being lords over *God's* heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.
- 4 And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

None of Christ true leaders of His Church at the local physical level are not of the world nor promote the world.

### True Leaders follow God's Health Message

In the last days the servants church leaders from pastors, deacons, elders, teachers, evangelist, etc. keep both the moral law of God and His health message. They lead by example and teach the health message.

Those ministers who do not follow the health message Leaders in Reform (Letter 48, 1902)

As God's messengers, shall we not bear a decided testimony against the indulgence of perverted appetite?... God has provided an abundance of fruits and grains, which may be healthfully prepared and used in proper quantities. Why, then, do men continue to choose flesh meats? Can we possibly have confidence in ministers who at tables where flesh is served join with others in eating it?...

"Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the Lord your God." Every one who transgresses the laws of health will surely be visited with God's displeasure. Oh, how much of the Holy Spirit we might have day by day, if we would walk circumspectly, denying self, and practicing the virtues of Christ's character. {CD 401.3}

And your disregard of health reform is unfitting you to stand as the Lord's messenger. Indulgence in meateating, and tea-drinking, and other forms of self-pleasing, is injurious to the health of the body and the soul. --Letter 23, 1896, p. 3. (To a minister, December 14, 1896.)

# Servant of the householder = Leadership in God's Physical Church that leads his local congregation to Spiritual Church of Jesus Christ.

Again, in this parable Jesus is speaking directly to His TRUE ministers who are responsible for the physical church to who are leading there flock to the spiritual one true church of Christ.

Back to the parable ...

### Who is the Householder's Enemy?

### Mat 13:39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil;

Satan, the Devil who rebelled against God in heaven and was cast out of heaven. Satan is the enemy that sowed the tares.

During the time of Christ. Those who had hatred toward another it was common that they would sow tares among a neighbor's field of wheat out of spite or hatred.

### What does the "seed" of a tare represent?

A Tare (physical) = Greek, zizanion [dziz-an'-ee-on]; darnel or false grain: - tares. - Strong's

False Grain, they closely resemble wheat at the beginning stage of growth but are recognized are false at the time of harvest.

### "Seed" of a tare = Lies and Deceptions of Satan teaches a false Christ. A false WORD!

Satan spread seed of lies in Christ's field, the earth. In the great controversy between Satan and Jesus, good versus evil: Satan's false Word, the tares is now mingle with Christ's true Word, sown throughout the world, the field.

Tare seeds of lies produce tare plants

Tares (the plant itself) represent?

Mat 13:38 ... but the tares are the children of the wicked one.

### Who are the children of the wicked?

Those who received and believe Satan's lies are children of the wicked one.

John 8:44-45

- 44 Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.
- 45 And because I tell *you* the truth, ye believe me not.

### <u>Children of God vs. Children of the Devil</u>

### 1 John 3:8-10

- 8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.
- 9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.
- 10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

Back to the parable ...

### What does the harvest represent?

Mat 13:39 ... the harvest is the end of the world;

Harvest time: Wheat and Tares are full ripe

### Who do the reapers represent?

Matt 13:39 ... and the reapers are the angels.

Angels of God are the reapers.

# What did the servants of the householder (True Leadership of the Church) recognized in the parable and what did they ask the householder (Jesus Christ)?

- Mat 13:27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, <u>didst not thou sow good seed</u> in thy field? from whence then hath it tares?
- Mat 13:28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The **servants** said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?
- God's leadership have a spirit of discernment. They recognized "tarerism" within the congregation of the local physical church.

### What is Jesus, the householder response?

Mat 13:29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.
Mat 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the <u>reapers</u>, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my bar

What lesson is He teaching, His leadership, pastors and ministers?

Remember the field represent the World.... both the seed of truth and seed of lies have been scattered thoughout the earth.

God true physical church (local congregations) are in the world, but should not be of the world.

Main purpose of the local church and its leaders to teach the world TRUTH.

Because the local congregation is in the physical world, weed and tares will come into the church.

### Listen very important lessons:

"The field," Christ said, "is the world." But we must understand this as signifying the church of Christ in the

world. The parable is a description of that which pertains to the kingdom of God, His work of salvation of men; and this work is accomplished through the church. True, the Holy Spirit has gone out into all the world; everywhere it is moving upon the hearts of men; but it is in the church that we are to grow and ripen for the garner (harvest) of God. {COL 70.2}

### God's purpose of the physical Church

- True Ministers > Physical Church > Spiritual Church > Kingdom of Grace (Spiritual) > Kingdom of Heaven (Physical)
- Even though the local congregation may have a mixture of weed and tares, the church leadership are to be servants of truth (period). God does not address the servants as tares... period...

### What is the main lesson that God is teaching His True Servant Leaders in these last days? <u>Powerful lesson to leadership</u>

By bringing into the church those who bear Christ's name while they deny His character, the wicked one causes that God shall be dishonored, the work of salvation misrepresented, and souls imperiled. Christ's servants are grieved as they see true and false believers mingled in the church. They long to do something to cleanse the church. Like the servants of the householder, they are ready to uproot the tares. But Christ says to them, "Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest."

Christ has plainly taught that those who persist in open sin must be separated from the church, but He has not committed to us the work of judging character and motive. He knows our nature too well to entrust this work to us. Should we try to uproot from the church those whom we suppose to be spurious Christians, we should be sure to make mistakes. {COL p. 71}

### God's Servants are not the JUDGE? Fruit inspectors, but not judge

Remember, Jesus is our final Judge for heaven or hell. His ways are just. He knows every case. God commands his servants to Teach, Preach and Heal. He does not give His servants the burden to judge someone for heaven or hell. Servants of God do not know the motive and purpose of every heart and mind. Servants of God cannot render judgment on someone for everlasting life or death! They are to focus on teaching, preaching, and healing. Giving the truth of God's word. They are to create an environment of truth for the growth of the church. Prayerfully those tares in the church will submit and allow the seed of God's truth to take root so they can become wheat.

### What will happen at harvest time?

At the beginning the tare closely resembled the wheat but at harvest time the difference between the two will be clearly distinguished .

The wheat golden with grain – bowing in humility

Tares = fruitless – standing tall in pride!

Jesus has He gives in the parable is the sheep and the goat... He will separate the wheat from the tares!

### Tarerist Leadership, do you stay on that ship?

Again... in the parable the tares are NOT the leadership of the physical local church in which its leadership is presenting truth. Jesus does not approve or allow tarerist leaders in His true church. He will remove them or they have detached themselves from Christ as a whole local church or conference.

Remember a Tare is a pretender. One is bought into lies of Satan and are spreading them.

Within the local physical church, Jesus will remove ALL leadership who are TARES !!!

Example: Judas

Judas was exposed and removed even before he was able to lead Christ church at the local level. Judas was a disciple (student)... He never "graduated" to become an apostle to lead God's new testament church. Judas position was replaced by a true servant of Christ.

## What will happen to a local church or conference of churches if leadership and congregation as a whole are in sin and become worldly?

**Rev 2:5** Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

### What exposes a tarerist leadership?

Isa 8:20 To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, *it is* because *there is* no light in them.

## What should you do if you are supporting a minister, or part of a church or religious organization that the Bible exposes as false based on Isaiah 8:20?

**1 Timothy 6:5** "Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and <u>destitute of the truth</u>, supposing that gain is godliness: from such <u>withdraw</u> thyself."

**2 Timothy 3:5** "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such <u>turn away</u>."

**2** Thessalonians **3:14** "And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have <u>no</u> <u>company with him</u>, that he may be ashamed."

**Revelation 18:4** "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, <u>Come out of her</u>, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues."

**2** Corinthians 6:14 "<u>Be ye not unequally yoked</u> together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"

# What does the Bible reveal about last day churches (local) who are worldly mixing truth and error and what is God telling all true believers?

### Colossians 2:18-19

- 18 Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,
- 19 And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God.
- Churches not telling truth.. pillars of Christ. Church leadership and conferences worldly. They have detached themselves from the head and teaching a false Christ... Humanist Christ. GET OUT OF THOSE CHURCHES (period)

### Do you want to be a part of a HEADLESS CHURCH! NO GET OUT!

### What are God's true servants doing in the last days compare to false servants?

### 2 Timothy 4:2-5

- 2 "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.
- 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
- 4 And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.
- 5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry."