

Sowing Weeds

"Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom." James 3:13 (English Standard Version)

_____ make it harder for good _____ to produce _____.

Matthew 13 - Examining The Parable And Its Explanation

A. This follows the Parable of the _____, found in Matthew, _____ and _____. This parable is found only here.

B. The Parable of the Tares / Weeds:

1. 13:24,25 - A farmer had just sown _____ in his field when an _____ came and sowed _____. This may refer to *darnel*, which resembles _____ in its early stages.
2. 13:26-30 - They were not to _____ the weeds, lest they also uproot the _____. Later they would be separated.
3. 13:38,39 - The field is the _____; the good seed is the _____ of the _____; and the weeds are the _____ of the _____ one.

Applying This Parable To Our Lives

A. Am I "good seed" or a weed?

1. James 3:13-18 - Do I _____ the world's _____ over God's? Do I focus on _____ God's _____?
2. James 2:1-4 - Do I show _____ to some? If so, we become _____ with _____ thoughts. Jesus' _____ shows us to treat all _____.
3. Ephesians 5:11,12 - Do I _____ in the _____ things of the world?
4. 2 Peter 2:1,2 - Do I _____ false _____? I don't have to be a _____ to be guilty of this.
5. Philippians 2:14,15 - Do I _____ a _____ in my life? Can people see that I'm a _____?

B. How Christians should see themselves:

1. 13:37 - They are the _____ sown by the _____.
2. 13:43 - They have _____ as their _____.
3. 13:43 - They are called _____.
4. 13:43 - They will one day _____ like the _____.

C. Bottom line: Keep _____ until the _____.

Joshua 24:15 - Regardless of others, we will _____ the _____!

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