Seeds & Weeds" – Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

INTRODUCTION: The "good seed" isn't the only seed that's planted in the world – 13:36

- 13:24 "The Kingdom of Heaven" is the WORLD.
 - Jesus sows the "good seed" in the world 13:37-38a
 - "Bad seed" is also sown ... the "tares", or "weeds" 13:25
 - Who are the "tares"? 13:38-39a
 - Satan's kingdom is mixed in with the "wheat" 13:25
 - Both seeds are living together 13:26
- 13:27 Evil has been planted here by Satan 13:28a
 - Jesus permits evil to remain here, but He is sovereign $\underline{13:29}$
- <u>13:29</u> "tares" and "wheat" resemble each other ... the roots become intertwined
 - Don't get entangled with the "tares" 2 Peter 2:20
- "Wheat" isn't firmly attached to the earth, and neither should we 1 Peter 2:11
 - The "fruit" of the "tares" is different from the "wheat".
 - Jesus warned us about the "tares" Matthew 7:15-16a,
 - 2 Corinthians 11:14
- 13:30 Harvest time ... 13:40-42
- 13:40 The "harvest" will be at "the end of this age".
- **13:41** 1 day, Jesus will do the "weeding" Rev. 20:15
 - It's Jesus' job to do the "harvesting" 13:42 1 Samuel 16:7
 - Satan attacks God's Kingdom by INFILTRATION.
 - The only indication we have is by their "fruit" Mt. 7:20
- 1 Sometimes, the "tares" look like the "wheat" Mt. 7:21
- 2 Sometimes, the "wheat" looks like the "tares" 2 Cor. 6:17, 2 Cor. 13:5 (HCSB)
- 13:43 1 day, a brighter day is coming!

CONCLUSION:

- Are you a "wheat" or a "tare"? Harvest time is coming.
- 1 If, you're a "tare" 13:42
- 2 If, you're a "wheat" 13:43