

The Kingdom Parables  
*The Net*  
Matthew 13:47-52 (page 685)

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Jesus gives:

- The example (Matt 13:47-48; 17:24-27; 4:18-20)
  - The *kingdom of heaven* is like a massive net
- The principle (Matt 13:49; 41; 23:37-39; 25:31-33; John 5:28-29; Eze 8:23; 2 Peter 3:9)
  - At the end of this age there will be a separation - a judgment - of all mankind
- The danger (Matt 13:50)
  - The danger is the endless damnation of hell -
    - a place of undiminished torment (Matt 8:12)
    - involving body and soul (Rev 20:4-6, 11-15; Matt 10:28; Mark 9:42-48)
    - in varying degrees (Matt 11:20-24; Heb 10:29-31; Luke 12:42-48)
    - for eternity. (Matt 25:46)
- The responsibility (Matt 13:51-52; 28:18-20)
  - As a disciple of the King, I am to proclaim the good news to those who are without it.

Make it personal....

How has this parable impacted my thinking about the way I live as a follower of Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

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How does God want my beliefs/ actions to change? \_\_\_\_\_

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What are some actions I can take to accomplish this change?

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What is one thing I will start to do this week to begin the change?

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