

- The idea of non-discrimination and non-judgement show up in each parable in today's passage: in the parable of the weeds, the servants are told to hold off uprooting the weeds among the wheat, and in the parable of the fishing net, the net catches all kinds of fish indiscriminately. Pray about how Jesus would want these lessons to apply to his church today and write what comes to mind here.

- Pray and ask the Lord to show you what you need to *know* and what you need to *do* in response to what you've heard and read this week. Write here what comes to mind. Share your answer with your group if appropriate.

IN YOUR GROUP

In your Cornerstone Community group this week, discuss your answers to the ON YOUR OWN questions. In a one-hour online group session, you might spend a 10-15 minutes catching up, 40 minutes talking through the discussion questions above, and 15-20 minutes praying for one another and planning ways the group can meet needs and serve others.

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Growth Guide

FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021

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FOLLOWING JESUS MAKES LIFE BETTER
AND MAKES YOU BETTER AT LIFE.

TODAY'S MESSAGE

NEXT

TODAY: PLANS • MATTHEW 13:24-30; 36-43; 47-50

THE BOTTOM LINE

JESUS IS _____
WRITING _____ STORY.

In my first book I told you, Theophilus, about everything Jesus began to do and teach... – Acts 1:1 NLT

JESUS IS _____ THE KING WHO SECURED VICTORY
THROUGH THE _____

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.
– Mark 10:45 NLT

"In Hebrew or Aramaic, [Son of Man] simply means 'mortal', or 'human being'...In the New Testament the phrase is frequently linked to Daniel 7:13, where 'one like a son of man' is brought on the clouds of heaven to 'the Ancient of Days' [God], being vindicated after a period of suffering, and is given kingly power...Jesus developed this in his own way in certain key sayings which are best understood as promises that God would vindicate him, and judge those who had opposed him, after his own suffering (e.g. Mark 14:62). Jesus was thus able to use the phrase as a cryptic self-designation, hinting at his coming suffering, his vindication, and his God-given authority." – N. T. Wright in Mark for Everyone (p. 241)

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior
Jesus Christ. – 2 Peter 3:18a NIV

JESUS IS STILL _____
_____, AND
_____ PEOPLE LIKE US.

Let both grow together until the harvest. – Matthew 13:30a NLT

In Matthew 13:25 a specific kind of weed is mentioned, the darnel (Greek zizania). The darnel looks very similar to wheat as it matures, however darnel grains are poisonous! Mixed in with the wheat the harvest would be contaminated, unusable as seed and potentially harmful to eat.

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. – John 13:34 NIV

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." – John 13:35 NIV

As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts to grow, so that the whole body is healthy, growing and full of love. – Ephesians 4:16b NLT

"Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a fishing net that was thrown into the water and caught fish of every kind."
– Matthew 13:47 NLT

The parable of the dragnet prefigures the gospel's being preached to all nations, using the Greek word genos for "kind," which more commonly denotes a person's tribe or ethnicity. The net is cast wide and does not discriminate.

And Jesus said to them, "Follow Me, and I will have you become fishers of people." – Mark 1:17 NASB

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THE CHALLENGE

"_____!"

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ON YOUR OWN

Answer these questions this week to reflect and go deeper.
TALK IT OVER with friends right now, using the questions highlighted in **bold**.

1. Share some examples of things that are uncertain or clear in your life right now.

2. In Mark 10:45, how does Jesus go about establishing his kingdom? How is that different from how most people would expect a king to act?

3. Review 2 Peter 3:18a. What things have prompted the best spiritual growth in your life?

4. Also in 2 Peter 3:18 we're encouraged to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus. What do you think growing in grace would look like?

5. Review Ephesians 4:16b. What do you think your "special work" might be?