



WHO HANDED YOU THE SICKLE?

When Righteous Zeal Reaches for God's Job



MATTHEW 13:24-30, 36-43

THE HARVEST
BELONGS TO
THE LORD

THE FIELD

*“But while men slept, his enemy came
and sowed tares among the wheat...”*

MATTHEW 13:25

WHAT LOOKED THE SAME WOULD NOT PRODUCE THE SAME FRUIT.

A cinematic photograph of three men in traditional Middle Eastern attire (turbans and robes) standing in a vast field of golden wheat. The scene is set at sunset, with the sun low on the horizon, casting a warm, golden glow over the landscape. The man in the foreground is looking down at a wheat stalk he is holding. The man in the middle is gesturing with his hand. The man in the background is pointing towards the horizon. The sky is filled with soft, golden clouds.

THEIR ZEAL WASN'T THE PROBLEM

*“Wilt thou then that we go
and gather them up?”*

MATTHEW 13:28

THEY SAW A REAL PROBLEM.
THEY JUST ASSUMED IT WAS **THEIR** JOB TO FIX IT.



THE OWNER SAID **NO.**

*“Nay; lest while ye gather up
the tares, ye root up also
the wheat with them.”*

MATTHEW 13:29



HIS FIELD
HIS WISDOM
HIS TIMING
HIS HARVEST

THE ROOTS ARE TANGLED.

WHAT LOOKS THE SAME ABOVE THE GROUND CANNOT BE SEPARATED WITHOUT DAMAGE.

DON'T CONFUSE DISCIPLINE WITH HARVEST

THE HOUSE

1 CORINTHIANS 5

*"Do not ye judge
them that are within?"*

1 CORINTHIANS 5:12

THE FIELD

MATTHEW 13

"The field is the world."

MATTHEW 13:38

BIBLICAL DISCIPLINE
BELONGS TO THE CHURCH.

FINAL SEPARATION
BELONGS TO THE KING.

WE CAN EXERCISE DISCIPLINE WITHOUT ASSUMING SOVEREIGNTY.

SAME GOD. DIFFERENT ASSIGNMENTS. A GREATER PURPOSE.