

# *“Once Upon A Time”*

- **You Were Created For A Purpose**

*“Jesus told them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field.’”* Matthew 13:24 (NIV)

- **Satan Hates Everything About You**

*“But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away.”* Matthew 13:25 (NIV)

- **There Should Be A Huge Difference In Your Life**

*“When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared.”* Matthew 13:26 (NIV)

- **Hell Is A Horrible Reality!**

*“Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.”*  
Matthew 13:30 (NIV)

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<sup>27</sup> "The owner's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?'

<sup>28</sup> "'An enemy did this,' he replied. "The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?'

<sup>29</sup> "'No,' he answered, 'because while you are pulling the weeds, you may root up the wheat with them.

<sup>30</sup> Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.'"

<sup>36</sup> Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field."

<sup>37</sup> He answered, "The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man.

<sup>38</sup> The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one,

<sup>39</sup> and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels.

<sup>40</sup> "As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age.

<sup>41</sup> The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil.

<sup>42</sup> They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

<sup>43</sup> Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

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### **The Parable of the Weeds Explained**

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