

## **The Meaning of the Parable of the Wheat and the Tares**

Another parable He put forth to them, saying: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field; but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat and went his way."

(Matthew 13:24-25)

Which of the following are likely to be the idea the Lord is trying to convey with the parable of the wheat and tares?

### ***Check the ones you think are true:***

- Never let evil touch your life.
- If you just stay awake you can always prevent evil spirits from leading you astray.
- Evil spirits are bad.
- Judgments made too soon can cause more harm than good.
- Never make judgments because they are bad.
- Some ideas we might have about what is good aren't really good at all.
- Tares are good for growing wheat.
- When a person has acted or shown how they will act, that action can and should be judged.
- Evil spirits will sow harmful ideas into our thoughts or bring them through other people.