

Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further ***International Bible Lessons***

Matthew 13:24-33
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Some Bible study groups or classes can further discussion by asking some or all of the **Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further** below. Others may want to send the bulletin size *International Bible Lesson* home with their students for further study in the coming week to encourage continuing Bible study. The *Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further* below are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The *Class Preparation Guide* includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class so they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible class.

Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further

1. Why does the kingdom of heaven on earth contain true Christians and those who do evil?

Jesus sows the true Christians (the wheat) into the kingdom of heaven and the devil sows his followers (the weeds) into the kingdom of heaven.

2. Why did the owner of the field tell his servants to leave the wheat and the weeds growing together until the time of the harvest?

He did not want his servants to possibly hurt his wheat.

3. What will the angels do at the end of the age?

They will come and first remove the causes of sin and those who do evil; then, the righteous will shine as the sun.

4. How can the kingdom of heaven like a mustard seed and plant?

The kingdom of heaven will have a small beginning but grow larger and larger and draw many people into it; people who can receive the gift of eternal life and many blessings through faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

5. How can the kingdom of heaven be like a loaf of bread?

Through the filling and indwelling of the Holy Spirit, the kingdom of heaven will work within a true Christian so they can grow spiritually and bless others through the changes Jesus Christ makes within them.

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