

A stylized illustration of a green plant with large, pointed leaves and a central stem, growing out of a brown, textured ground. The plant's roots are visible, spreading across the ground. The background features rolling hills in shades of green and brown, a blue sky with a large, pale orange sun or moon, and several small black birds in flight. The text "KINGDOM COME" is overlaid in the center in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

**KINGDOM
COME**

24 Jesus told them another parable: “The Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field.

25 But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came & sowed weeds among the wheat & went away.

26 When the wheat sprouted & formed heads, then the weeds also appeared.

27 “The owner’s servants came to him & said, ‘Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?’

Matthew 13:24-30

28 “‘An enemy did this,’ he replied.

“The servants asked him, ‘Do you want us to go & pull them up?’

29 “‘No,’ he answered, ‘because while you are pulling the weeds, you may uproot the wheat with them.

30 Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time, I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds & tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat & bring it into my barn.”

Matthew 13:24-30

Hell: Here & Eternal

“In the beginning, God created the heavens & the earth.” - Gen 1:1

“Woe to you, scribes & Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel across sea & land to make a single proselyte, & when he becomes a proselyte, you make him twice as much a child of hell as yourselves.” - Matthew 23:15

The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. - James 3:6

**Hell is “our decision” to be set apart from God
– God NEVER intended for Hell in Creation!**

Weeds vs. Wheat



- SOWN BY THE ENEMY – NOT BY GOD!
- FALSE WHEAT (DARNEL)
- LOOK “IDENTICAL” UNTIL HARVEST
- POISONOUS & INVASIVE
- ROOTS INTERTWINE W/ WHEAT ROOTS
- IMPOSSIBLE TO PULL UP WEEDS W/O KILLING WHEAT
- ROMAN LAW – NOT PLANT DARNEL IN ANOTHER’S FIELD

Good V. Evil

‘Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?’ (*Evil in the World*)

“An enemy did this,’ he replied.

‘Do you want us to go & pull them up?’ (*God Fixes It*)

“No,’ he answered, ‘because while you are pulling the weeds, you may uproot the wheat with them.

Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time, I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds & tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat & bring it into my barn.’”

36 Then He left the crowds & went into the house. & His disciples came to Him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.”

37 He answered, “The One Who sows the good seed is the Son of Man.

38 The field is the world, & the good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one,

39 & the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, & the reapers are angels.

Matthew 13:36-43

40 Just as the weeds are gathered & burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age.

41 The Son of Man will send his angels, & they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin & all law-breakers,

42 & throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping & gnashing of teeth.

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

Matthew 13:36-43

- **Sower** – Son of Man
 - **Sower's Field** – The World
 - **Good Seed** – Sons of the Kingdom
 - **Weeds** – Sons of Evil one
 - **Enemy** – The Devil
 - **Harvest** – End of Age
 - **Reapers** – Sower's Angels
 - **Weeds** – Fiery Furnace: Weeping & Gnashing Of Teeth
 - **Wheat** – Righteous Shine: Kingdom of Their Father
- “He who has ears, let him hear.”*

In the Early Stages ---

“We know that we are from God, & the whole world lies in the power of the Evil One.” - 1 John 5:19

*“From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, ‘Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.’”
- Matthew 4:17*

- Weeds, Especially In The Early Stages Of Growth, Look Like & Act Like Wheat
- A False Believer May Resemble A True Believer

“Bad Things” in the World...

- Judgment Is Coming; In The Meantime, God Takes Steps To Love His Children – Even Though His Judgment On The Wicked Will Occur.
- Church’s Job Is *Not* To Rid The World Of Sinners
 - It is NOT the Job of Wheat to “Pull Weeds”
 - It is ONLY to BE Fruitful & Faithful!

“Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? — unless indeed you fail to meet the test!” - 2 Corinthians 13:5

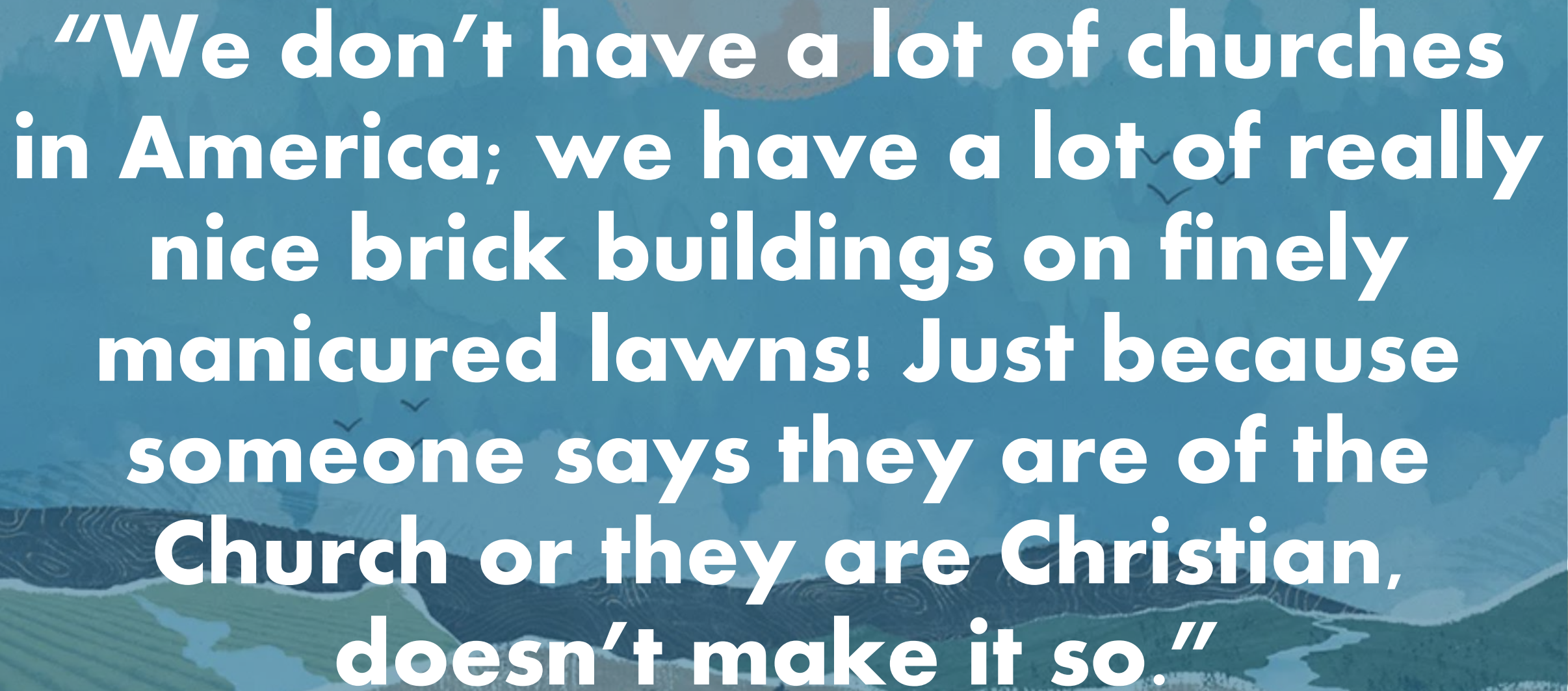
In the Final Stages ---

“On that day many will say to Me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your Name, & cast out demons in Your Name, & do many mighty works in Your Name? And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you workers of lawlessness.’”

- Matthew 7:22-23

Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, "Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.”

- Matthew 13:30



“We don’t have a lot of churches in America; we have a lot of really nice brick buildings on finely manicured lawns! Just because someone says they are of the Church or they are Christian, doesn’t make it so.”

- Paul Washer