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47 “Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish. 48 When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away. 49 This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous 50 and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 51 “Have you understood all these things?” Jesus asked. “Yes,” they replied.

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INTRODUCTION

OUR VISION:

To raise up anointed disciple-makers who are empowered to change their world for Christ.



**2021 IS OUR
YEAR OF
KINGDOM ADVANCEMENT**

Luke 12:32 (NIV)

³²“Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.

Matthew 13:51 (NIV)

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**UNDERSTAND
THAT**

IT IS NOT EVERYONE WHO APPEARS
TO BE IN THE KINGDOM THAT
BELONGS IN THE KINGDOM

Matthew 13:47 (NIV)

47 “Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish.

Matthew 7:21–23 (NIV)

21 “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?’ 23 Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!’

Luke 12:32 (NIV)

15 “Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves. 16 **By their fruit you will recognize them.** Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles?

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**UNDERSTAND
THAT**

**A TIME OF JUDGEMENT
IS COMING SOON**

Matthew 13:48a (NIV)

48 When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. ...

Revelation 22:12 (NIV)

12 “Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done.

Revelation 22:7 (NKJV)

7 “Behold, I am coming quickly! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.”

Revelation 22:20–21 (ESV)

20 He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.”
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! 21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all.
Amen

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**UNDERSTAND
THAT**

**JUDGEMENT BELONGS TO JESUS
AT THE END OF THE AGE**

Matthew 13:49 (NIV)

49 This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous

Matthew 16:27 (NIV)

27 For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done.

2 Timothy 4:8 (ESV)

8 Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

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**UNDERSTAND
THAT**

HELL IS A TERRIBLE PLACE TO BE

Matthew 13:50 (NIV)

50 and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 25:41 (NIV)

41 “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.’

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**UNDERSTAND
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HEAVEN IS THE BEST PLACE TO BE

Matthew 13:48b (NIV)

48 ... Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away.

John 14:2–3 (NKJV)

2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.

Revelation 21:1-2 (ESV)

1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Revelation 21:3–4 (NLT)

3 I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, “Look, God’s home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them. 4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever.”

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CONCLUSION

John 14:6 (NIV)

6 Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.



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