

A Field of Wheat

based on Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Jesus told another story about a farmer who planted seeds:

"A farmer planted wheat seeds in a field of good soil. During the night, a mean person planted weeds, seeds that were not wheat, in the field.

"Weeks went by and all the seeds began to grow and poke up through the soil. Tall stalks of wheat grew, but tall weeds grew too.

"When the farmer's workers saw the weeds, they said to the farmer, 'Did you plant a mixture of good and bad seeds in the field? Weeds are all over it.'

"No," said the farmer. 'I planted only wheat in my field. Someone else planted weeds.'

"We'll pull up the weeds," said the workers.

"No, wait," said the farmer. 'If you do that now, you will damage the wheat. Wait until the wheat is ready to cut. Then you can pull the weeds and get rid of them before you cut the wheat.'"

Hidden Message Word Search

Find the words from Matthew's story. They can be horizontal or vertical. Write the remaining letters in order, in the spaces below, to find the hidden message.

FARMER	SOIL
FIELD	STALKS
GOOD	WAIT
GROW	WEEDS
PLANTED	WHEAT
SEEDS	WORKER

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W	L	T	L	W	H	E	E	S	E
O	F	A	R	M	E	R	D	O	E
R	I	L	N	S	A	G	C	I	D
K	E	K	U	T	T	O	R	L	S
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Like the weeds among the wheat, some things do not belong where they are. Circle the item in each row that does not belong.

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