

# The Parable of the Weeds Explained

Find the 45 **bold** words from Matthew 13:36-43 (ESV)

G E N I H S K N R D L R O W W  
N V E Q L F I I G F E T N T R  
I I J E I A G D N N A G F E Z  
H L G R L H N I D G I T A E H  
S N E P T U S S E P D P H W L  
A S X E S F D C W Z E O E E A  
N E O D D I W I O R L H M E R  
G U O N F E O P S I H A A D W  
S O T I S R R L V Y I R N S N  
G H E A R Y C E P Q M V T R I  
Z L D N E S D S H O L E T A S  
D E R E W S N A N T E S N E W  
P A R A B L E E C T A T O E O  
E C A N R U F C H Y I G T N S  
B U R N E D T H R O W S E E D

Then he **left** the **crowds** and went into the house. And his **disciples** came to him, saying, “**Explain** to us the **parable** of the **weeds** of the **field**.” He **answered**, “The one who **sows** the **good seed** is the **Son of Man**. The field is the **world**, and the good seed is the **sons** of the **kingdom**. The weeds are the sons of the **evil one**, and the **enemy** who **sowed** them is the **devil**. The **harvest** is the **end** of the **age**, and the **reapers** are **angels**. Just as the weeds are **gathered** and **burned** with **fire**, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will **send** his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of **sin** and all law-breakers, and **throw** them into the **fiery furnace**. In that place there will be **weeping** and **gnashing** of **teeth**. Then the **righteous** will **shine** like the **sun** in the kingdom of their **Father**. He who has **ears**, **let him hear**.”

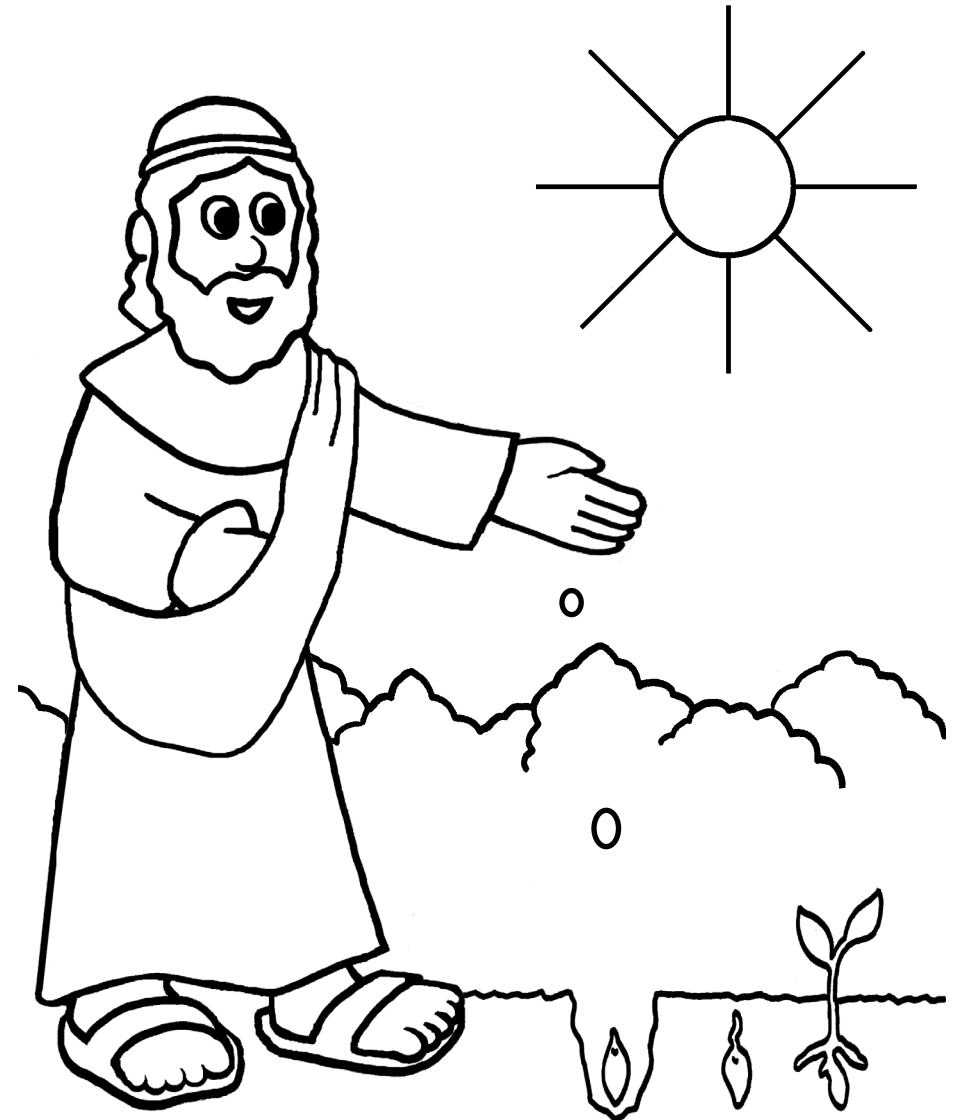
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# Today's Gospel Lesson

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2023

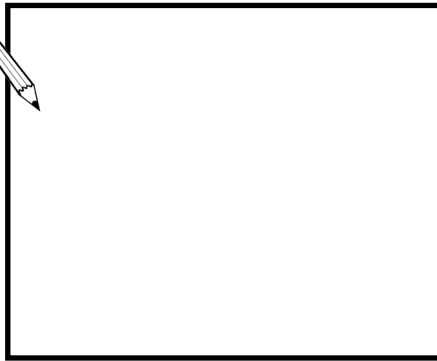
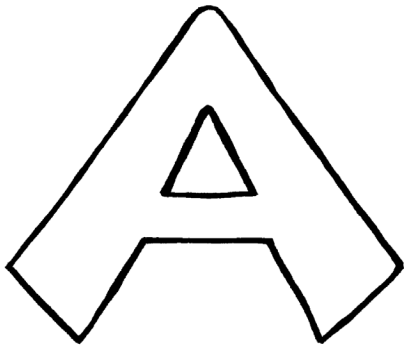


Jesus is like a farmer who sows good seeds in our world.

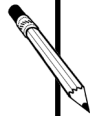
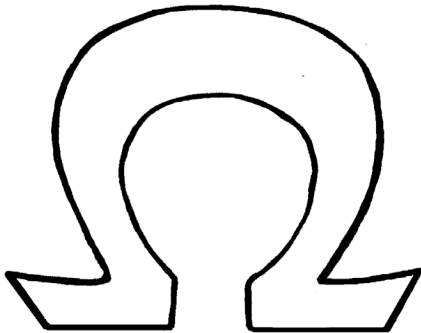
# Children's Worship Pages

God told the prophet Isaiah that there is no other god but him. God has been here since the beginning of time, and he will be here at the end of time, too.

Color the Greek symbols for "beginning" and "end."  
Then, draw them in the empty boxes!



"Alpha" is the first letter of the Greek alphabet.



"Omega" is the last letter of the Greek alphabet.

*The Lord said: "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god."  
(Isaiah 44:6b)*

When you are praying and don't know what to say, the Holy Spirit will help you and will even pray for you!

Write a prayer of your own by finishing the sentences below:

DEAR JESUS,

You are wonderful! One thing I love about you is:

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Please forgive me for:

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I am thankful because:

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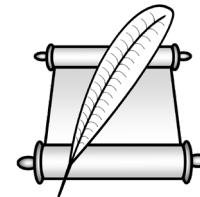
Please help me with:

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In your name I pray,

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(Write your name here)



*"Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groaning too deep for words."  
(Romans 8:26)*