

How To Know You're Saved

²⁴ Jesus presented another parable to them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. ²⁵ But while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went away. ²⁶ But when the wheat sprouted and bore grain, then the tares became evident also. ²⁷ The slaves of the landowner came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have tares?' ²⁸ And he said to them, 'An enemy has done this!' The slaves said to him, 'Do you want us, then, to go and gather them up?' ²⁹ But he said, 'No; for while you are gathering up the tares, you may uproot the wheat with them. ³⁰ Allow both to grow together until the harvest; and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers, "First gather up the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them up; but gather the wheat into my barn.'"" (Matt. 13:24-30, NASB)

1. The Definition Of A Tare

A Tare Is A Church Member Who Is Bound For Hell.

⁴¹ The Son of Man will send forth His angels, and they will gather **out of His kingdom all stumbling blocks**, and those who commit lawlessness, ⁴² and will throw them into the **furnace of fire**; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. (Matt. 13:41-42, NASB)

2. The Detection Of A Tare

- How Were You Planted? Check Your Conversion

A man who **sowed good seed** in his field. But while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and **sowed tares** (Matt. 13:24-25, NASB)

- Did you feel conviction over your sin?
- Did that sorrow over your sin lead to repentance?
- Did you call on Jesus to be your Savior and Lord?

- What Do You Produce? Check Your Fruit

When the wheat sprouted and bore grain, then the **tares became evident** (Matt. 13:26, NASB)

¹⁶ You will know them **by their fruits** ... ²¹ Not everyone who says to Me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter. ²² Many will say to Me on that day, "Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?" ²³ And then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; **DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS.**" (Matt 7:16,21-23, NASB)

3. The Deliverance Of A Tare

- Your Condition Must Be Revealed

The Spirit Himself **testifies with our spirit** that we are children of God (Romans 8:16, NASB)

- Your Choice Must Be Repentance

Unless you **repent**, you will all likewise perish (Luke 13:3, NASB)