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## **It's NOT Over at the End of the Day**

Matthew 13:47-50

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

**1. The Kingdom is the story of how God is dragging everything toward that Final Beach.**

**2. As Christ-followers we are to be in the fishing business, not the sorting business.**

*<sup>48</sup>“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.”*

**3. The sorting is based on their acceptability to the Fisherman.**

**4. Our job is to get everyone we can in the Kingdom net.**

*<sup>49</sup>“This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous<sup>50</sup> and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”*

**5. The blazing furnace testifies to God’s insistence that nothing can sabotage the eternal joy he offers to all.**