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The Story of the Sheep and the Goats



What does it mean to be freed to serve?



The Serve Team



The Serve Me Team

Matthew 25:31-33 (NLT)

"But when the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit upon his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered in his presence, and he will separate the people as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep at his right hand and the goats at his left."

Acts 17:31 (NLT)

"For he has set a day for judging the world with justice by the man he has appointed, and he proved to everyone who this is by raising him from the dead."

"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home.

I was naked, and you gave me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me.' Then these righteous ones will reply, 'Lord, when did we ever see you hungry and feed you? Or thirsty and give you something to drink?

Or a stranger and show you hospitality? Or naked and give you clothing? When did we ever see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will say, 'I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!'

Then the King will turn to those on the left and say, 'Away with you, you cursed ones, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his demons. For I was hungry, and you didn't feed me. I was thirsty, and you didn't give me a drink.

I was a stranger, and you didn't invite me into your home. I was naked, and you didn't give me clothing. I was sick and in prison, and you didn't visit me.' Then they will reply, 'Lord, when did we ever see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and not help you?'

"And he will answer, 'I tell you the truth, when you refused to help the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were refusing to help me.' And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous will go into eternal life."



How do you know if you're on the right team?



You love Jesus.

Romans 10:9-10 (NIV)

"If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved."

2 Corinthians 5:17, 21 (NIV)

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!... God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."



Your love for Jesus causes you to love people and serve them.

Ephesians 2:8-11 (NIV)

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

1 John 3:17 (NIV)

"If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person?"

Revelation 22:12 (NIV)

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

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Questions to Consider:

- •In what ways does your life reflect your love for Jesus?
 - Where are you serving right now?
 - Who are you serving right now?



