Matthew 25:31-46

³¹"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

³⁷"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

⁴⁰"The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'

⁴¹"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴²For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'

44"They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'

⁴⁵"He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

46...Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

Matthew 25:31-46

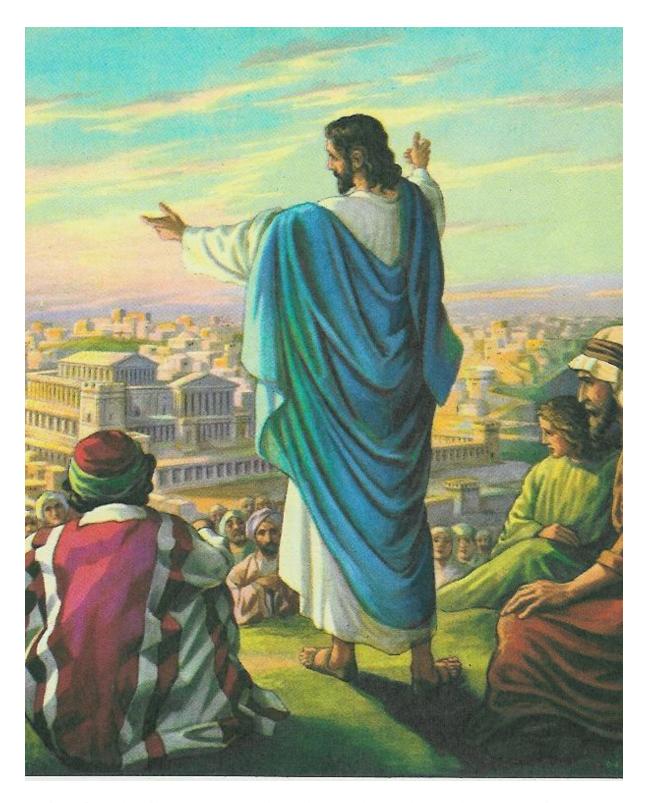
Possible Points	MY Points		QUESTIONS
5		1.)	Who are the "sheep" and who are the "goats"?
5		2.)	What will happen to the sheep
			(the believers)?
5		3.)	What will happen to the goats
			(the unbelievers)?
5		4.)	Explain what this means: "Whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me".

Possible	MY	MEMORY VERSE
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		"Then they [unbelievers] will go away to eternal
10		punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."
10		Matthew 25:46

Possible	MY	Home Connection	PARENT/GUARDIAN				
Points	POINTS		SIGNATURE				
5		I have read, or been read, the passage of scripture for this week.					
5		I have answered the questions aloud to an adult at home this week.					
10		I have recited the memory verse out loud to an adult at home this week.					

TOTAL POINTS	CLUB CONNECTION	
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Matthew 25:31-46



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Matthew 25:31-46



Jesus, like a shepherd, will separate the sheep from the goats

Matthew 25:31-46

CRAFT/ACTIVITY: BIBLE CONCENTRATION

Students will play Bible Concentration to help them remember that at the end of the age Christ will separate the believers from the unbelievers like a shepherd separates sheep from goats.

MATERIALS

- 1. White 67 lb. Cardstock
- 2. Bible Concentration Master
- 3. Scissors
- 4. Paper Clips



DIRECTIONS

- 1. Copy the Bible Concentration Master onto 67 lb. cardstock for each student.
- 2. Cut the cards into pieces on the black lines.
- 3. Turn all the cards face down on the table.
- 4. With a partner, students will take turns turning over two cards at a time.
- 5. One student will look for the sheep and the other student will look for the goats.
- 6. If the two cards match (i.e. sheep # 1 and sheep #1), the player sets the two cards aside and the next player attempts to match two cards.
- 7. If the cards do not match, both cards are turned back over and the next player attempts to match two cards.
- 8. Both players take turns until one player has matched all his/her cards (ten cards altogether). The first person to match all of his/her cards wins.
- 9. Give each student a paper clip to clip his/her cards together.

FOR DISCUSSION

As students are cutting up their cards, remind them that when Christ comes back, he will divide the Christians from the non-Christians. The Christians will enjoy eternal life with him, while the non-Christians will go away to eternal punishment. Christ will judge the heart.

TIME NEEDED TO COMPLETE:

Approximately 15 minutes

MEMORY VERSE

"Then they [unbelievers] will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life." Matthew 25:46



Matthew 25:31-46

BIBLE CONCENTRATION MASTER

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Matthew 25:31-46

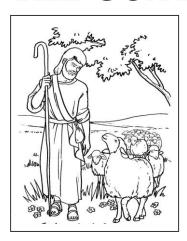
Read Matthew 25:31-46 and then color in the coded squares to read the question from the Scripture. Some of the squares have been filled in for you.

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THE BIBLE TIMES HERALD

A SPECIAL REPORT ON MATTHEW 25:31-46

THE SHEEP AND THE GOATS



When Jesus returns, it will be like a shepherd who separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on the right and

the goats on the left.

The sheep in the story represent the believers in Jesus while the goats represent those who do not follow after Jesus. The "sheep" will be invited to share the kingdom of heaven which was prepared since the creation of the world. The "sheep" do kind things for strangers, the hungry, the sick, those in prison, etc.

The king will tell the "goats" to depart from him into the eternal fire that was prepared for the devil and his angels. The goats do not believe in Jesus or do kind things for others.

To find out more, read Matthew 25:31-46 in your Bible.

QUESTIONS

- 1. Who are the "sheep" and who are the "goats"?
- 2. What will happen to the "sheep" (the believers)?
- 3. What will happen to the "goats" (the unbelievers)?
- 4. Explain what this means: "Whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me".

MEMORY VERSE

"Then they [unbelievers] will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life." Matthew 25:46

CROSS OFF THE LETTERS

Cross out every other letter. Write the remaining letters on the lines below to reveal the hidden message.

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