

Study QUESTIONS

Ep.1342: What Does Weeping and Gnashing of Teeth Mean?

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See:



- The Parable of the Closed Door:** (Luke 13:25-28)
 - Who were the first to be offered the invitation to be Jesus' followers in highest favor with God?
 - Who already had a favored position with God?
 - Why will there be *weeping and gnashing of teeth* with this group? Will this last forever?
- The Faithful Centurion Who Asked Jesus to Heal His Servant:** (Matthew 8:10-13, Isaiah 60:1-3)
 - How does this scenario differ from the first? Why is this considered "role-reversal"?
 - What does *outer darkness* symbolize? Who is in *outer darkness* initially? Is this position permanent?
 - Who are *the sons of the kingdom*? Why will there be *weeping and gnashing of teeth* with this group?
- The Parable of the Wedding Guest with no Wedding Garment:** (Matthew 22:1-14, 5:20)
 - Who is the wedding guest? In what age does this take place?
 - What was his choice—what was he called to? Why did he fail?
 - What was the effect of his being bound *hand and foot*? Why will there be *weeping and gnashing of teeth*?
- The Parable of the Talents:** (Matthew 25:24-30)
 - What are the talents given to the servants of the Master?
 - What did the one-talent servant do with his opportunity of service?
 - What does *outer darkness* symbolize? Why will there be *weeping and gnashing of teeth*?
- The Parable of the Wheat and Tares:** (Matthew 13:38-43, Malachi 4:1, Daniel 12:1)
 - What is the time period of this parable? What does the *furnace of fire* symbolize?
 - Explain the parable. Why will there be weeping and gnashing of teeth?
- The Parable of the Dragnet:** (Matthew 13:47-50, Daniel 2:44)
 - What is the time period of this parable?
 - What does the *furnace of fire* do? Why is this necessary? Why *weeping and gnashing of teeth*?
- Jesus' Prophecy of His Return:** (Matthew 24:44-51)
 - What are the actions of the loyal servant? The bad servant? What does this parable focus on?
 - What are the consequences—especially for Christian leaders? Why *weeping and gnashing of teeth*?
- Summarize to whom *weeping and gnashing of teeth* applies in all the examples:**

How do these applications apply to you? How will you willingly take the opportunities to follow Jesus and serve him faithfully? What do you need to do in order to avoid all *weeping and gnashing of teeth* in your future?