

Hidden in Plain Sight

Sheep & Goats

Scriptures referenced:

**Matthew 25:31-46; Luke 4:18-21; Deuteronomy 10:18-19;
Proverbs 19:17, 21:13, 28:27; Amos 5:21-24**

³¹ “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² All 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. ³³ He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

³⁴ Then the King will say to those 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. ³⁵ For 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, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after 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? ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

⁴⁰ The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters 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. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ I 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, ‘Truly I tell you, 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**

Jesus reveals three things that should deeply shape how we approach life today.

- 1. Jesus identifies those who _____**
on the _____ as brothers and sisters.
- 2. Jesus carries forward the _____ of those on the**
_____ into his eschatological kingdom.
- 3. Serving the _____ of these is just like**
serving _____.

Two things that keep us from living out this message:

- 1. We absorb _____ .**
- 2. We mistakenly believe doing _____ things**
won't be _____ .

Simple ways to start incorporating "little ministries" into your life:

1. Ask God to open your eyes to the needs around you.
2. Commit not to look away when you begin to see the needs around you.
3. Take one simple step forward.