

Drawing the Net
Matthew 13:47-50
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Observations

- According to God **time is linear.**
 - According to God **we face judgment.**
 - According to God **hell is real.**
- 1) Today the gospel net has been cast - The fishermen are **sent out.**
- a) Individually we fish **with hook and line.** (Matthew 4:18-19)
 - b) Together churches use a **casting net.**
 - c) Combined God calls it a **dragnet.**
- **Ezekiel 18:32** "For I have no delight in the death of him who dies, says the Lord Jehovah. Therefore turn and live."
 - **Also - John 3:17, 1 Timothy 2:3-4, 2 Peter 3:9**
- 2) One day the gospel net will be drawn - The angels will be **sent out.**
- **Matthew 24:31** "And He shall send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather His elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other."
 - **Matthew 25:31** "But when the Son of man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He shall sit on the throne of His glory. "
- 3) On the final day the gospel separation will occur - The wicked will be **cast out.**
- a) Judgment is **final.** - verse 48
 - **Romans 3:19** "But we know that whatever things the Law says, it says to those who are under the Law; so that every mouth may be stopped and all the world may be under judgment before God,"
 - b) Judgment is **factual.** - verse 49
 - **Revelation 20:12** "And I saw the dead, the small and the great, stand before God. And books were opened, and another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. "
 - **Matthew 12:36** "But I say to you that every idle word, whatever men may speak, they shall give account of it in the day of judgment."
 - c) Judgment is **forever.** - verse 50
 - **Matthew 25:41** "Then He also shall say to those on the left hand , Depart from Me, you cursed, into everlasting fire prepared for the Devil and his angels."
 - **Matthew 25:46** "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into everlasting life."

Good News - **today we can respond to the gospel net!**

- **2 Corinthians 6:2** "(For He says, "In an acceptable time I heard you, and in a day of salvation, I helped you;" Behold, now is the accepted time. Behold, now is the day of salvation.)"

