



## Part 7: Kingdom Clash

***Note: We have provided you with more questions than you will likely need. Please don't feel pressure to talk about every question. Use the ones that you feel will be most useful in generating discussion in your group. We've designed this curriculum to be as user-friendly as possible.***

# Icebreaker

## Ask

What is one of your favorite places you've ever had a meal? This could be a restaurant or the home of a loved one. What made meals in this place so special?

# Hear

## Read

Read the Parable of the Weeds from Matthew 13:36-43

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### Ask

- What are your thoughts about Jesus' explanation of the parable? What does it clarify?
- What does this parable teach us about the messiness of the world?
- How can understanding the messiness of the world inform and encourage us?

### Play

Watch the video clip that is on [www.bridgeway.church/litk](http://www.bridgeway.church/litk).

### Ask

- What stands out to you from this clip?
- In Matthew 7, Jesus talked about people who were active in their faith but lacked heart. How can we know if our actions are motivated by a transformed heart?
- Lance mentioned Christians need to have a legitimate engaged relationship with Jesus. What does that look like? How do we know when a relationship is legitimate and engaged?
- He also mentioned the Christian life should display the presence of the Holy Spirit. How have you seen the Holy Spirit present in believers in your life?

## Apply

### Say

In the message Lance challenged us by saying that actions matter. We want to respond to that challenge. Take a look at the chart that describes a thriving disciple of Jesus. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you towards one area where He may want you to grow. Write down one or two ways you could actively seek to grow in that area this week. In a moment we'll split up into smaller groups and you'll have the chance to share these action steps with others from your community.

*Leader note: Hand out the sheet and give people a few minutes to quietly look it over.*

### Close

- Break people into pairs to share their growth area and action items.
- Spend some time praying for each other to follow through with actions this week.

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