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Funeral Meditation:

Mt. 13: 24 - 30 (Parable)

Show how evil and good contend with each other in time. Good are not to go out to eradicate the evil. Must grow alongside it. Accounts for and explains misery that righteous often experience. Tares are ever with us. They threaten comfort and growth. They hinder. But, they cannot be removed. Good can exist and grow and bear fruit. Judgment will equalize things. A hard fact (i.e. the truth of this parable) for us to accept but one we need to know. Much energy is wasted in fretting because all evil and temptation are not removed from us. We keep hoping we will wake up and it will all be gone. But, it won't. It will be there today and for all tomorrow. We must grow in Christ and let Him bring us to victory.

"No gather them?" - Christ said, "No."