

THE SHEEP & THE GOATS
MATTHEW 25:31-46

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- *Read Matthew 25:31-46.* Does this story read more like a parable or a prophecy or both? Why?
- What is the basis for people being separated as either “sheep” or “goats”?
- Who are “the least of these” in Jesus’ story?
- For whom are the six actions mentioned by Jesus ultimately done? Why do neither the “sheep” nor the “goats” see this?
- How else are the “sheep” and the “goats” both similar and different?
- What might be Jesus’ reason for telling this story? What is Jesus teaching and inviting his disciples to think and do?
- Where do you see individuals or our church congregation doing well with “the least”? How does this encourage or inspire you?
- If you are in a small group, what is something your group can do to care for someone in need? How can you see Christ in the one whom you serve?
- If Jesus came in glory today, how might he evaluate your life based on this story? How are you feeling called to respond? How can your small group or others pray for you and support you in this through the coming week?

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