

DISCOVERING THE VALUE OF THE KINGDOM

MATTHEW 13:44-46

JESUS KINGDOM PARABLES (4) ~ STORIES THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

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Introduction

We do amazing things to obtain that which we treasure!

Jesus told a story about a first century Hebrew and a buried treasure.

Jesus tells not 1 but 2 stories to highlight the value of the Kingdom of God.

Why are these two Kingdom parables so significant?

1. The of the Kingdom: the Kingdom of God is
to the unspiritual eye.

The treasure had to be and the pearl

1 Corinthians 2:14

John 5:39-40

2. The of the Kingdom: the Kingdom of God is

The minute their eyes were opened, they recognized its

3. The of the Kingdom: they to have it

They to have it.

They pursued the prize.

4. The of the Kingdom: they everything!

..... comes at a high cost.

Jesus reminds us time and time again that it is not easy to
the Kingdom of God.

What is the treasure that Jesus is referring to in these 2 parables?

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One on the treasure, the other it out.

Isaiah 65:1

Jeremiah 29:13

- **The Kingdom of God refers to the& of God in your life. It is the sphere of the Spirit in your life**

Jesus here is also speaking about the value of

The parable of the hidden treasure

- **An discovery**

Saul / Paul – Philippians 3:5-6

Luther – Romans 1:17

- **A discovery**

The man grasped the of his discovery

Some don't see it all at once.

Jacob – Genesis 28:18 "Surely the Lord was in this place
and I was not aware of it."

- **A decision**

Psalm 25:14

2 Timothy 1:14 “Guard the deposit”

Guard -- the of God in your life

-- the of the Spirit in your life

- **A decision**

The man “went out and sold everything.” (v44)

The man’s joy superseded everything else!

Moses (Hebrews 11:26)

Application: The parable of the pearl of great price

1. An adamant

*** This merchant had a**

*** The merchant sought that which was**

Psalm 27:4

* **The merchant had a desire for that which was**

He could what was of value

2. **An active**

Jesus chose his swords carefully: “a merchant in search of fine pearls”

2 words:

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Acts 4:13

3. **An absolute**

No price was price was too high!

* You all – evaluation

* You all

2 Corinthians 5:15

* You all

* You all