

# THE VALUABLE TREASURE

## MATTHEW 13

Parable Series #2

Text: Matthew 13:44-46

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<sup>44</sup> Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field. <sup>45</sup> Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: <sup>46</sup> Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

Introduction:

## 1. THE STORY

A. One man finds a treasure, hides it, sells everything he has, and buys the field.

B. The merchant man is seeking good pearls, when one is found, he sold all and bought it.

## 2. THE MEANING OF THE STORY

A. The Treasure

1. Is not Christ

a. Men do not buy Him.

b. They do not hide Him.

c. Men do not sell everything for Him.

2. People are not saved by works.

3. People are not saved through sacrifice.

4. People are saved only through faith in Christ.

B. The Field

1. Is the world.

C. The True Meaning of the Treasure.

1. Salvation

a. Christ gave up everything to provide salvation.

1. Riches

2. Glory

3. Honor

4. Fellowship with the Father

5. All of Heaven

2. He died for the sin of the whole world.

a. He paid for the whole field.

1. 1 John 2:2

### **3. APPLICATION**

A. Christ died for everyone

B. Salvation is free, but still cost a great amount.

C. Being Saved Makes us a Debtor

1. To Christ

2. To the Church

3. To the World