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Matthew 13:44-46

- “The Kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. Again, the Kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.”

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Matthew 13:44-46

- These little one line parables reveal to us the mysteries of the Kingdom of God.
- **First, we learn that the kingdom of God is of ultimate worth.** The kingdom of God is utterly priceless. (buried treasure – no banks) (pearl merchant looking for valuable pearls)
- Unless we properly understand the ultimate value of the kingdom we will never properly align our lives accordingly. (many passed thru the field)

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**Matthew 13:44-46**

- **First, we learn that the kingdom of God is of ultimate worth.** The kingdom of God is utterly priceless.
- Many people do not align their lives with the ultimate worth of the Kingdom because of other less valuable things. (trivial; good things)
- The Kingdom of God is worth your singular focus, undivided attention and total commitment. Why? Why is it of ultimate worth?

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**Matthew 13:44-46**

- **First, we learn that the kingdom of God is of ultimate worth.** The kingdom of God is utterly priceless. Why?
- Salvation – life eternal
- Life abundant – identity – loved by God, joyful relationship with your Father
- Significance – kingdom carriers, partners. Hope now & then (cancer, addiction)

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**Matthew 13:44-46**

- **Second, we learn that we are to prioritize our lives around this treasure of ultimate worth.** These men took decisive action to re-prioritize their lives around these treasures. About the man who found the treasure Jesus says, in his joy he “**went** and **sold** all he had and **bought** that field.” Then about the merchant who found the pearl Jesus says, “He **went** away and **sold** everything he had and **bought** it.” Went, sold everything, bought. Singular focus.

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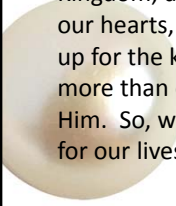
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**Matthew 13:44-46**

- **Second, we learn that we are to prioritize our lives around this treasure of ultimate worth.**
- When we grasp the ultimate worth of the Kingdom, and when the King & his kingdom fill our hearts, there is nothing we would not give up for the king & his cause. The King will more than compensate those who sacrifice for Him. So, what is the implication of this truth for our lives?



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**Matthew 13:44-46**

- **Second, we learn that we are to prioritize our lives around this treasure of ultimate worth.**
- Remove all barriers that keep the King & His Kingdom from being the ultimate priority of our life. (e.g., bitterness; distracting entertainment) (Apple)



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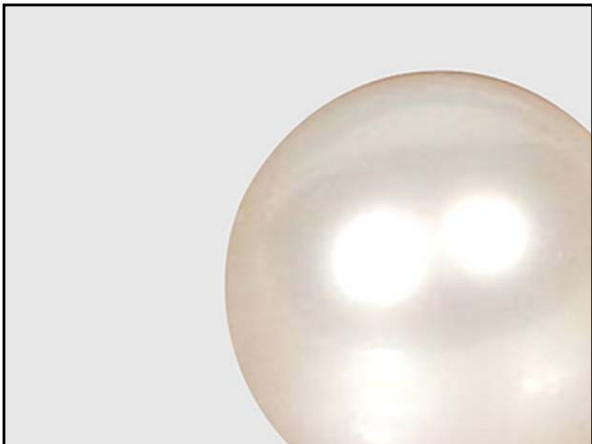
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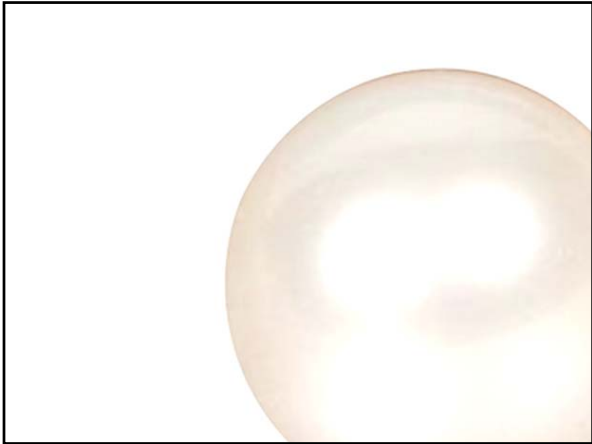
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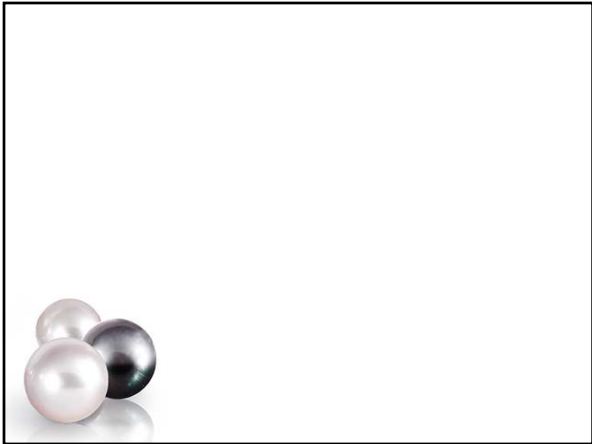
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