

Weekend Message Questions
Parables – The Hidden treasure and pear
November 8-9, 2025

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CHECK-IN: Take a few minutes to check in with your group. How has everyone's week been? Follow up from any previous prayer requests or personal updates.

DISCUSS

Opening Thought:

Think about a time when you discovered something unexpectedly valuable—a lesson, a relationship, or an opportunity. How did it change your priorities?

READ: Matthew 13:44–46

Questions:

1. What stands out to you most as you read these parables?

What do you notice about the actions and attitudes of the people in the stories?

2. Why do you think Jesus chose treasure and pearls to describe God's kingdom?

How do these images help you understand what God offers us?

3. Both people "sold everything" to gain what they found.

What does "selling everything" look like in your life?

Is there anything you find hard to surrender to God?

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1. Discovering the Kingdom

Some people stumble upon God's kingdom unexpectedly; others search for it their whole lives.

- Have you ever had a moment where you "stumbled" into a deeper faith or understanding?
- What are you searching for most in life right now?

2. The Cost and the Joy

Both parables highlight the cost—and the joy—of gaining the kingdom.

- Why do you think joy is emphasized in the man's response?
- Can you share a time when following Jesus brought you unexpected joy or fulfillment?

3. What We Value Most

We give more to what we value most.

- What are some “treasures” people commonly value more than God’s kingdom?
- How can we identify our own treasures that compete with God in our hearts?

REFLECT

Read Philippians 3:7–8

- Where in your life do you sense God calling you to value Him above all else?
- What’s one practical way you can “joyfully surrender” something for the sake of God’s kingdom this week?

Pray together:

Ask God to help you see the true value of His kingdom and to give you joy in surrendering to Him. Pray for courage to let go of lesser treasures and embrace the life Jesus offers.

How can your group be praying for one another this week?

Take a few moments to pray together before closing.

Can you use prayer? <https://hopefellowship.net/prayer-request/>