## Parables (The Stories Jesus Told About Us) Part III; March 3, 2024

"You're Worth More Than You Think!" (The Parable of Hidden Treasure)

"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure that a man discovered hidden in a field. In his excitement, he hid it again and sold everything he owned to get enough money to buy the field.

— Matthew 13:44 (NLT)

God sees you as	
You have been set apart as holy to	the Lord your God,
and he has chosen you from all th	e nations of the
earth to be his own special treasur	re.
– Deu	iteronomy 14:2 (NLT)
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For God so loved the world that l	ne gave his one and
only Son, that whoever believes in	him shall not
perish but have eternal life.	– John 3:16 (NIV)

Let's	view of you
change	view of you!

The nations will see your righteousness. World leaders will be blinded by your glory. And you will be given a new name by the Lord's own mouth. The Lord will hold you in his hand for all to see—a splendid crown in the hand of God.

— Isaiah 62:2-3 (NLT)

When you SEE yourself as a treasure, You will CARRY yourself as a treasure, And you will TREAT yourself as a treasure!

Your value doesn't change	
oy what you've been	

You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions. Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault.

- Colossians 1:21-22 (NLT)

This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners"—and I am the worst of them all. But God had mercy on me so that Christ Jesus could use me as a prime example of his great patience with even the worst sinners. Then others will realize that they, too, can believe in him and receive eternal life. —1 Timothy 1:15-16 (NLT)