

Southside Baptist Church  
Wednesday Night Worship – 1-3-24  
Matthew Chapter 13 Part 7  
The Parable of the Net and Jesus' final question.

1. Introduction:

a. Taking a look back:

2. The Parable of the Treasure: **Matthew 13:44**

a. Important key terms:

1) **“treasure”**, **“field”** and **“man”**

b. Who is seeking who? What does the Word teach?

a) **Luke 19:10; Romans 3:10** –

c. Can this treasure be purchased?

d. Does the Bible describe this **“treasure”**?

1) Consider what we read here:

a) **Exodus 19:5; Psalm 135:4** –

b) The Treasure is Israel.

e. What about the **“field”** and the **“man”**?

1) The **“field”** is the world, and the **“man”** is Jesus.

2) Is it possible to reconcile this imagery that Jesus **“selled all that he hath”**?

3. The Parable of the “pearl”. **Matthew 13:45-46**

a. Important key terms:

1) **“merchant man”**, **“pearl”**, **“sold all that he had”**

2) Two views once again.

3) If the treasure was Israel, then what could the pearl be?

4) Is there anything else that Jesus died for?

5) The **“pearl”** is the Church?

4. Taking a look ahead:

a. Just a reminder as we finish this incredible chapter.

5. The Parable of the Net. **Matthew 13:47-50**

a. Important key terms:

1) **“net”**, **“sea”**, **“good”** and **“bad”**.

2) **Verse 49** – a sense of finality.

3) The **“net”** – The preaching of the Gospel

4) Notice what is in the net.

5) The day is coming when God will separate the believers from unbelievers.

a) **Revelation 20:4** – **“good”**, **“just”**

b) **Revelation 20:5** – **“bad”**, **“wicked”**

6) This is the point of these parables –

6. What will you do with what you have been given? **Matthew 13:51-52**

a. Important key terms:

1) **“scribe”**, **“instructed”**, **“householder”** and **“his treasure”**

2) **“scribe”** – a little history is needed here.

3) Jesus is drawing a parallel to these disciples of what their responsibility is now that they understand the parables of the kingdom.

a) **Matthew 13:52** from the Amplified Bible –

4) What is “**his treasure**”? –

7. Jesus heads to Nazareth: **Matthew 13:53-58**

a. The chronology might surprise you here.

1) Actually, what happened next is something we have already studied.

a) **Matthew 8:23-34** –

b) **Matthew 9:18-26** –

c) **Matthew 9:27-34** –

b. Now we are in Nazareth: **Matthew 13:54-58**

1) Jesus is teaching in the synagogue.

2) To teach in the synagogue would be to assume the role of a Rabbi.

3) You can tell by the next comments that Jesus is in His hometown.

a) Did you catch their argument?

c. Something I have thought about many times. **Matthew 13:57**

1) Do you find this interesting and hard to comprehend?

8. Tonight's Take Away:

a. What do you see?