

The Kingdom Parables
The Hidden Treasure and the Pearl
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The Hidden Treasure:

The parable given (Matthew 13:44; 25:14-28)

The Yeast:

The parable given (Matthew 13:45-46)

The point of the parables: The Kingdom of God is of such immeasurable value that those who understand this truth will do whatever it takes to posses it.

- The kingdom is enormously valuable, yet not obviously visible (1 Peter 1:3-6; Dan 2:34-35; 1 Cor 2:14; 2 Cor 4:3-4; Matt 7:14)

The application of the parables:

- The kingdom may be entered under different circumstances (Acts 9:1-19; John 4:1-42; 9:1-41; Acts 8:26-40; 10:1-47; 16:16-34; 17:10-12)
- The kingdom is the source of joy (Rom 14:17; John 15:11; Phil 3:7-8)
- The kingdom is made personal by a transaction (Isaiah 55:1-3; Luke 9:57-62; Matt 16:24;;19:16-22)

Make it personal:

What are the things (or main thing) that keep me from seeing the true value of the kingdom of God? _____

What are the evidences in my life that demonstrate that I truly treasure Jesus (the King) and His kingdom? _____

What are the evidences in my life that demonstrate that I value other things more than I value the King and His kingdom? _____

How will I pursue the kingdom this week? What do I need to “sell” or “buy”? _____
