The Hidden Treasure

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Matt. 13:44-46

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found and hid again; and from joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking fine pearls, ⁴⁶ and upon finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

Q: Why is it so important for us to understand what the Kingdom of Heaven is?

Mark 4:10-11, 13 "As soon as He was alone, His followers, along with the twelve, began asking Him about the parables. ¹¹ And He was saying to them, "To you has been given the mystery of the kingdom of God, but those who are outside get everything in parables... ¹³ And He said to them, "Do you not understand this parable? How will you understand all the parables?"

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Q: If Jesus is the man pictured in these parables, what is He telling us about His Kingdom?

(Ex 19:5-6; 1Pet 2:9-10; Phil 2:6-11)

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| Q: How | | should we respond to the value of the Kingdom? | |
| | 1. | (Matt 6:33) | |

What will the Kingdom cost you?

Luke 14:26-33

"If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. 27 And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. 28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it—29 lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, 30 saying, "This man began to build and was not able to finish." 31 Or what king, going to make war against another king, does not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32 Or else, while the other is still a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks conditions of peace. 33 So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.

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| 2. | (Vs. 27) | |
| | (Vs. 33) | |

The Kingdom of Heaven is here, it's advancing and it can't be stopped.

• Matt. 13:33 "He spoke another parable to them, "The kingdom of heaven is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three pecks of flour until it was all leavened."

How much is the Kingdom of Heaven worth to you?

Are you willing to pay the price?