

The Hidden Treasure

INTRODUCTION

1. Matthew 13:44 _____
2. One verse! _____ words, yet _____
3. A parable of _____ and _____
4. This parable has some fascinating features...
 - a) The treasure itself (what _____?)
 - b) The treasure is _____
 - c) The treasure is _____
 - d) The treasure is _____



DISCUSSION

I. What Does Jesus Call A "Treasure?"

- A. In the story _____
- B. Jesus identifies it as _____
 1. Ephesians 1:7 _____
 2. Ephesians 3:8 _____
 3. Colossians 2:3 _____
- C. Sadly, some see the Kingdom as a treasure only in time of _____
 1. To do so, puts the Kingdom in the same category as _____
 2. But -- the Kingdom is _____ a valuable treasure!
 3. This is certainly our Lord's point!

II. But -- The Treasure Is Hidden!

- A. While it is hidden, it is of no _____
- B. Unseen, covered up it cannot _____

III. But -- Praise God -- The Treasure Is Discovered!

- A. Remember, by a man who was not even _____
 1. The next parable (Pearl of Great Price) tells of one who was _____
 2. Here, the "hero" seems to _____
 3. I have seen the Kingdom discovered both ways...
 - a) Some were _____
 - b) Others find it _____
- B. Either way, discovering the Kingdom is a _____
 1. If we are wise _____
 2. If we are willing _____

IV. In The Parable, The "Hero" Obtains the Treasure Without Any Hesitation!

- A. The treasure is obtained _____!
 1. No one _____
 2. It must always be so!
 - a) Matthew 19:16-22 _____
 - b) Revelation 22:17 _____
- B. The treasure is obtained _____!
 1. He went "in _____"
 2. This reminds us of the first _____
- C. The treasure is obtained _____!
 1. He "sold all that he _____"
 2. We too must seek "_____ " the Kingdom! (Matthew 6:33)
 3. It was not cheap for _____ either!
- D. The treasure is obtained _____!
 1. No matter how much he had possessed and sold, it could not compare with _____
 2. Matthew 19:29 _____

CONCLUSION

1. Have YOU bought the field?

