



# The Treasure in the Field and The Pearl of Great Value

MATTHEW 13:44-46

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## Matthew 13:45-46

<sup>45</sup> “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, <sup>46</sup> who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

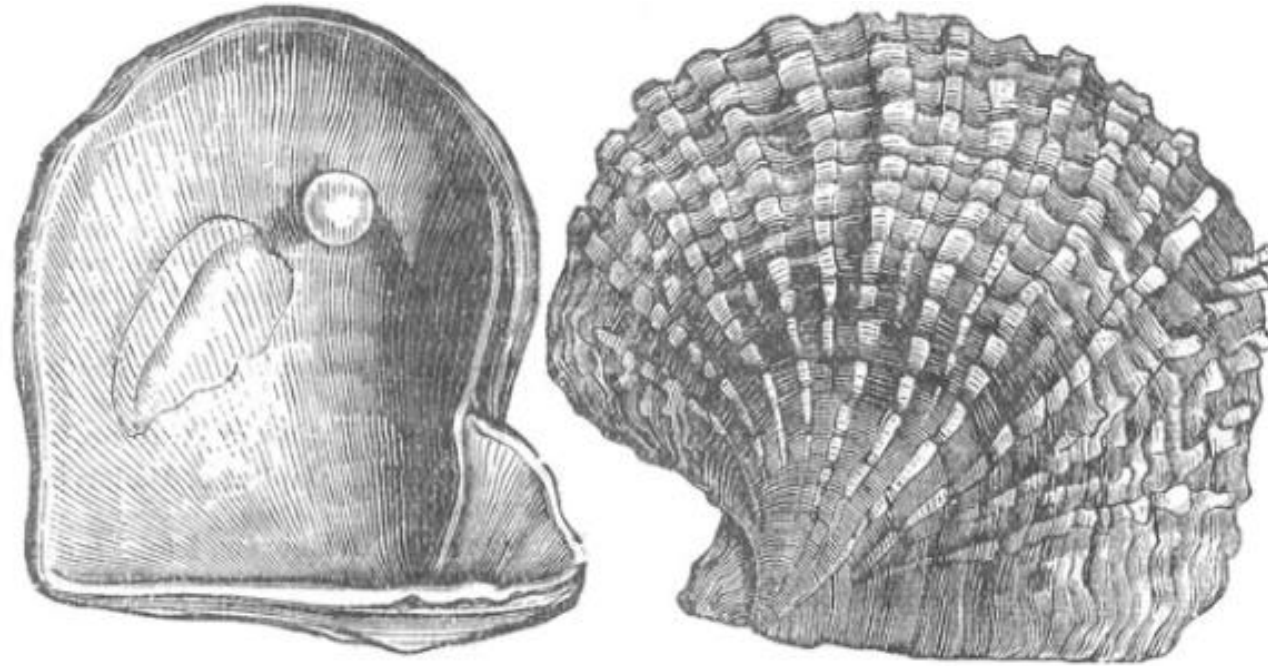
## Parable of Hidden Treasure

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Matthew 13:44)



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# The Pearl of Great Value



# Finding A Treasure of Great Value

Both men find a treasure of greater value than anything they already possess.

Matthew 6:21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

What do you treasure?

# Finding A Treasure of Great Value

John 6:35 Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

Matthew 19:29 And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name’s sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life.



# Selling Everything to Secure it

“in his joy”

There is no hesitation in selling all he has to secure the treasure. There is joy because he knows the treasure's worth is greater than anything he must sacrifice.

We too often focus on what we “give up” rather than focusing on what we gain.



# Pursuing the Greatest Treasure

Philippians 3:7–9 <sup>7</sup> But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ

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<sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—

“I count **everything as loss** because of **the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus** my Lord.”

# Pursuing the Greatest Treasure

Matthew 16:25-26 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?

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*Acts 20:24 (Paul to the Ephesian Elders)*

24 But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

# Pursuing the Greatest Treasure

*He is no fool who gives  
what he cannot keep to  
gain what he cannot lose.*

- Jim Elliot  
(missionary/martyr)

