

**What Worth
Is Salvation?**

Matthew 13:44-58



THE KINGDOM
PARABLES

7 Parables In Matthew 13

Parable of the Sower

Parable of the Tares

Parable of the Mustard Seed

Parable of the Leaven

Parable of the Hidden Treasure

Parable of the Pearl Of Great Price

Parable of Drawing in the Net

**Who Hath Ears
To Hear,
Let Him Hear**

I. Parable of the Hidden Treasure

Matthew 13:44

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.

II. Parable of the Pearl Of Great Price

Matthew 13:45-46

45 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:

46 Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

III. Parable of Drawing in the Net

Matthew 13:47-50

47 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind:

48 Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

49 So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just,

50 And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

IV. The Need To Understand

Matthew 13:51

Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord.

A. The Hidden Treasure

1. Salvation is hidden except to the discerning eye

2 Corinthians 4:3

But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:

2. Salvation is worth giving up everything we possess to obtain it

3. Salvation brings incredible joy

IV. The Need To Understand

Psalm 35:9

And my soul shall be joyful in the Lord: it shall rejoice in his salvation.

Psalm 51:12

Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

Habakkuk 3:18

Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

IV. The Need To Understand

B. The Pearl of Great Price

1. Christ is the merchantman

2 Chronicles 16:9a

For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. ...

2. The church is the pearl

3. Christ gave all to purchase salvation

Titus 2:14

Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

IV. The Need To Understand

C. The Dragnet – A Metaphor

- 1. There is no escape from the net**
- 2. Just as a fisherman judges and separates good and bad fish, God judges all**
- 3. Just as the fisherman keeps the good fish and discards the bad, God keeps the “good” and casts off the “bad”**

We are not righteous without Christ

IV. The Need To Understand

Matthew 13:52

Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old.

D. A call to the disciples

- 1. Be something more than you are**
- 2. Gain “new” insight from the “old” truth**

IV. The Need To Understand

John 14:26

But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

1 John 2:27

But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

V. The Unbelief That Existed

A. A change in location but not in message

Matthew 13:53-54

53 And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence.

54 And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this man this wisdom, and these mighty works?

V. The Unbelief That Existed

B. Jesus known but not known

Matthew 13:55-57

55 Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?

56 And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this man all these things?

57 And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house.

V. The Unbelief That Existed

C. Their unbelief stifled the power of God

Matthew 13:58

And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

**What Is Salvation
Worth To You?**