MARINERS CHURCH



When One Thing is Worth Everything

The Kingdom of Heaven is the spiritual rule of God in the hearts of those who put their trust in Christ.

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it." –Jesus (Matthew 13:44-46, NLT)

One thing is worth EVERYTHING.

HOW DO I FIND IT?

#1 I can't be fooled by appearances.

But people who aren't Christians can't understand these truths from God's Spirit. It all sounds foolish to them because only those who have the Spirit can understand what the Spirit means. 1 Corinthians 2:14 (NLT)

#2 I have to want it.

And if you search for Him with all your heart and soul, you will find Him. Deut. 4:29 (NLT)

Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that there is a God and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him. Hebrews 11:6 (NLT)



#3 I need to consider the cost.

"If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me." -Jesus, Matthew 16:24-26

#4 It's going to change my life.

#5 I'll never look back.

"And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul?" -Jesus, Matthew 16:25-26

For your LifeGroup and growth time.

Talk together...

What's something you collected as a kid? How about as an adult? What are the characteristics that would make it valuable?

Read Matthew 13:44-46

Why does Jesus need to continue to explain what 'the kingdom of heaven' is? What thoughts do you have about this phrase and this concept?

What things stand out to you about the two "parables"? The Treasure in a field...
The Pearl of great value...

Is Jesus REALLY telling us to sell everything?

What does it mean to you that this ONE THING is worth EVERYTHING. Is there an example of how you have had to make changes in your life because of it?

Pray together and support each other!

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