

## ***The Treasure and the Pearl***

Matthew 13

John: LeBron James card.

What would you sell everything you had for?

Greg: Parable of the hidden treasure: Matthew 13:44

The kingdom of God: once we experience the treasure, we won't hesitate to give everything away for it.

Amy and ebay.

John: Antique Roadshow. How many of you would buy these for \$5,000? They're worth over a \$1M.

John 12:1-8: Mary, Jesus, and the ointment. She had experienced Jesus. It was worth it!

Greg: The pearl: Matthew 13:45-46

John: Worthless treasure: iron ore in the desert.

Rich ruler: Matthew 19:16-24

What are you hesitant to give up? Wealth? Position? Respect?

Have you met Jesus or have you just met the idea of Jesus: rules.

Greg: Matthew 8:18-22. Even family?!?!

What would prevent you from following Jesus?

John: Frodo, the ring, Mount Doom.

Greg: How do we know Christ is the treasure? We experience him!

John: Experience Christ in the Bible. Start your day by experiencing Jesus.

Greg: Experience Christ in community. The voice of God

John: Experience Christ in prayer. The 40 Day Prayer Challenge. God wants to be with you! Take everything to God. For me: journaling. Time without devices.

Greg: Experience Christ in disciplines.