

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What do you believe the parables of the “man who finds hidden treasure” and the “pearl merchant” mean? Why do you believe that and what scriptures support your belief?

2. If Jesus' intention for the treasure parable was that the man represents the believer who finds the treasure and the treasure represents Christ or eternal salvation, what would it look like for that person to “sell everything”? Consider the same for the pearl merchant parable. By the way, did you know that perspiration is one thing that will damage pearls?

3. If Jesus' intention in the treasure parable was for the man who purchased the field to represent Himself and the treasure to represent His people, then what does this mean to you and how does it impact your relationship with Him? Your understanding of grace?

4. If you are the pearl and His grace and righteousness have covered you, please give a short testimony to show how this has played out in your life. What jagged and irritating things in you have the Lord's mercy and righteousness changed into something that brings glory to the Lord? What still needs change?

5. You have been purchased at the full price and the Lord had joy in doing it. Read 1 Corinthians 6:18-20 and Hebrews 12:1-3. How can you apply these verses?