

# Through the New Testament

A 90 day chronological reading plan



**1/30-2/3**

## **Discussion Guide**

Read Matthew 13:44-46

Jesus told a lot of parables while on earth, parables are stories that show us a truth about God. Here He tells two parables about the kingdom of heaven, this teaches us that eternal life in heaven with God is valuable, is worth giving up everything else.

Jesus compares heaven to treasure and fine pearls, both of which cost a lot of money. In both of these stories a person is searching for something valuable, you don't just happen upon buried treasure. And when they find what they have been looking for they go and sell everything else they have in order to buy their treasure and their pearls.

The kingdom of heaven is like the treasure and the pearls it is valuable, and eternal life with Jesus is worth giving up things while on earth. We don't buy our way into heaven, but to have a relationship with Jesus we have to give up some things.

We have to give up our time to read the bible and pray so that we can know more about Jesus.

We have to give up being selfish so we can love others like Jesus tells us to.

### **What are some other things you might have to give up to follow Jesus?**

In both of these parables the men give up what they have joyfully, they aren't upset or angry, because they know what they are getting is worth more than everything else they have put together.

**A relationship with God and spending eternity with Him in heaven is worth much more than anything else that we could ever have here on earth.**

**Pray** – Ask God to remind you of heaven and how we are looking forward to an amazing time that will be worth everything we may have to give up while on earth.