

WORTH IT ALL

GETTING STARTED:

What is the most valuable possession you own? What makes it valuable?

If that item were lost what would you pay to get it back?

TAKE A LOOK AT THE BOOK:

Read Matthew 13:44-46

How did the man feel when he found the treasure? What was the reaction of the merchant to finding the pearl?

How is the kingdom of God like a treasure in a field? How is it like a pearl of great value?

In both stories the men sold everything they had to purchase the "kingdom". How do we maintain the right motivation for selling everything and pursuing the Kingdom of God? How do we keep it from being moralistic, or keep our pursuit from being motivated by guilt?

What other illustrations might you give when telling a friend the value of knowing Jesus?

TAKE IT HOME:

Is your pursuit of the Kingdom of God as joyous as these two men in the story? What are ways we can recover the joy of our pursuit of Jesus?

What are things that we might be reluctant to let go of and "sell" for the sake of the Kingdom of God?

This might be an opportunity to break into same gender groups and ask the following:

What saps your joy in following Jesus?

What is keeping you from following Jesus today?

Is there anything that is hindering your walk with God? Anything we can pray for you for?