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## A Kingdom of Hiding and Seeking/Surprise and Joy (Matthew 13:44-46)

*WARMUP: Describe a moment when you discovered a treasure—for example, something in a thrift store, a restaurant menu item, your favorite band, etc. 😊*

### READ Matthew 13:44-46

- What is Jesus saying about the Kingdom He is bringing?
- What nuance does Matthew 6:33 add to what Jesus says in the parables about seeking?

### REFLECT

- In the sermon, Neil challenged us to keep these parables tumbling around in our minds and hearts all week. Has this been difficult to do?
- What questions or insights do you have from the parables or from the sermon?
- In the parables, the people sell everything to obtain the treasure.
  - What is something you have had to give up to follow Jesus?
  - Is there something else you sense the Holy Spirit asking you to give up now to more fully receive the Kingdom?
  - Does it seem easy or hard to give this up?

### RESPOND

- What is your next step to live more fully in the Kingdom of Jesus?
- Is there someone you know who might benefit from hearing these parables? You are likely the right person to share these scriptures with them!

### PRAY

- Split into groups of 3 or 4 and pray for courage and wisdom in taking next steps this week.