

- b) What was the man's response to this treasure?

 - c) Why do you think he bought the field?

 - d) Who do you think the man is?
4. In verse 45, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for pearls. When the merchant finds the pearl of great value he sells everything for that pearl.
- a) What have you searched for more than anything else in life?

 - b) What or who are you willing to give up everything for?

 - c) Where does Jesus fit into this symbolism for you?
5. Verses 47–50 give us a parable regarding judgment. Give the heavenly symbolism.
- a) What is the net?

 - b) Who are caught?

 - c) Who does the catching?

 - d) Who gets thrown away?

e) Describe weeping and gnashing of teeth.

f) Do you know where you would end up if the angels caught you in the net of humanity?
Give reasons why.

6. In verse 52, explain the symbolism of the owner of the house and what the new and old treasures are.

7. a) Why didn't Jesus' hometown people believe in Him?

b) Why didn't Jesus perform miracles there?

Going Deeper:

8. a) Where or why are you suspicious of Jesus' credentials?

b) Where or who doesn't see your credentials as a believer?

c) What do you learn from this lesson (verses 53–58) that will help you with those who don't listen to you?

