

Treasure Hunt Matthew 13:44-46

Memory Verse:

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.”
—Matthew 13:44

Pilgrims sold all they had to come to America. After wintering on the Mayflower, the last surviving pilgrims moved ashore in March 1921 and the Mayflower returned to England.

1. **Everyone’s** Treasure Hunt

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it...”
—Matthew 13:44

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls.”
—Matthew 13:45

“You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you.”—Saint Augustine of Hippo (St. Augustine’s Confessions)

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you.”
—Jeremiah 29:13-14

2. **Costly** Treasure Hunt

“When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.”
—Matthew 13:44

“When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.”
—Matthew 13:46

When have you burned your bridges? (John 6:66)

3. **Daily** Treasure Hunt

“Then he said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.” —Luke 9:23

Leo Tolstoy, author of *War and Peace*, also wrote *A Confession* in 1879 _____

Oswald Chamber, *My Utmost* (Nov. 16)

The test of the life of a saint is not success, but faithfulness in human life as it actually is. We will set up success in Christian work as the aim; the aim is to manifest the glory of God in human life, to live the life hid with Christ in God in human conditions. Our human relationships are the actual conditions in which the ideal life of God is to be exhibited.

4. **Another** Treasure Hunt

“But the LORD God called to the man, “Where are you?”—Genesis 3:9

God sold everything and purchased His Treasure, you and me.

“For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.”

—1 Peter 1:18-19

“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.” —Revelations 3:20

Revelations 3:20 for the lost _____

Revelations 3:20 for the found _____