

# Sermon on the Boat Matthew 13

Unlocking the Mysteries of the Kingdom Part 5 Buried Treasure arrrr!

The Bible is **NOT** an open book to those enemies of Christ!

Jesus tells 7 parables in Matthew 13 to help us understand better how things work, spiritually!!!

Parable Earthly story with a spiritual meaning Reveal and Conceal

<sup>44</sup> *"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure that a man discovered hidden in a field. In his excitement, he hid it again and sold everything he owned to get enough money to buy the field." Matthew 13:44*

Misapplication-Treasure that is the gospel or Jesus Field is Bible where Gospel/Jesus is hidden

Man is lost seeking, sells all he has to get saved/Jesus/Gospel

I think these misinterpretations happen when someone just takes one parable **out of context** alone

Context of the other parables tell us.... >The Field is the **World!** >Man is Jesus, the Son of Man

>Treasure not Jesus or Gospel >You can't hide Jesus and He is not for sale!!! LOL

>Man does not seek for God (Rom. 3:11) The man didn't purchase the treasure but the **whole field!**

So far the Parables have been somewhat **Negative!**

Now something **Positive!**

So, what is this "treasure"?

It is the nation of **ISRAEL!**

Exodus 19:5 ....you will be My own **special treasure** from all the peoples on earth...

Psalms 135:4 For the Lord has chosen Jacob for Himself, Israel for His own **special treasure.**

**WE Will See Three Things.....**

1. Israel is a Special Treasure Chosen by God
2. Israel is a Special Treasure Hidden by God
3. Israel is a Special Treasure Claimed by God

## 1. Israel is a Special Treasure Chosen by God

<sup>44</sup> *"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure that a man discovered hidden in a field*

*Matthew 13:44*

<sup>1</sup>The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you." **Abrahamic Covenant** Genesis 12:1

<sup>12</sup> I will raise up one of your descendants, your own offspring, and I will make his kingdom strong. <sup>13</sup> He is the one who will build a house—a temple—for my name. And I will secure his royal throne forever. ...<sup>16</sup> Your house and your kingdom will continue before me for all time, and your throne will be secure forever." **Davidic Covenant**

2 Samuel 7:12-13,16

Both of these Covenants are **UNILATERAL** and **UNCONDITIONAL!**

## 2. Israel is a Special Treasure Hidden by God

*In his excitement, he hid it again and sold everything he owned to get enough money to buy the field.*

*Matthew 13:44*

*He came to His own people, and even they rejected Him.*

*John 1:11*

*<sup>24</sup> But when the Pharisees heard about the miracle, they said, No wonder He can cast out demons. He gets His power from Satan, the prince of demons...<sup>28</sup> But if I Am casting out demons by the Spirit of God, then the Kingdom of God has arrived among you..* Matthew 12:24,28

*<sup>24</sup>I was sent only to help God's lost sheep—the people of Israel.* Matthew 15:24

1<sup>st</sup> time Jesus spoke in Parables because the Kingdom offered has been **REJECTED!**  
*Some of the people of Israel have hard hearts, but this will last only until the full number of Gentiles comes to Christ.* Romans 11:25

*In his excitement, he hid it again...  
and sold everything he owned to get enough money to **buy the field.*** Matthew 13:44

*God so loved the **WORLD** that he gave His only begotten son.....* John 3:16

*<sup>18</sup> For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And it was not paid with mere gold or silver, which lose their value. <sup>19</sup> It was the **precious blood of Christ**, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God. <sup>20</sup> God chose him as your ransom long before the world began, but now in these last days he has been revealed for your sake.* 1 Peter 1:18-20

*In a unique sense Jesus died for Israel But he was struck down for the rebellion of my people.* Isaiah 53:8

### **3. Israel is a Special Treasure Claimed by God Psalm 89:30-37**

*<sup>26</sup> And so all Israel will be saved. As the Scriptures say, "The one who rescues will come from Jerusalem, and he will turn Israel away from ungodliness. <sup>27</sup> And this is my covenant with them, that I will take away their sins."* Romans 11:25-27

*For the Lord will cause something new to happen—Israel will embrace her God."* Jeremiah 31:22

*"On that day a fountain will be opened for the dynasty of David and for the people of Jerusalem, a fountain to cleanse them from all their sins and impurity....I will bring that group through the fire and make them pure. I will refine them like silver and purify them like gold. They will call on my name, and I will answer them. I will say, 'These are my people, 'and they will say, 'The Lord is our God.'"* Zechariah 13:1, 9

**1. Everything is on SCHEDULE**

**2. If God Kept His word to Abraham He will Keep His Word With US** John 1:12

**3. Signs of the times is telling us He is close to Claiming His Special Hidden Treasure**