

***“The kingdom of heaven is like
treasure...” Matthew 13:44***

Lesson 2

The Great Treasure

Read It!

Read Matthew 13:44-45

Think About It!

Hunting for hidden treasure sounds like a fun adventure, but can you imagine finding a treasure so great that you would give up everything for it? Take a step further, can you imagine giving up everything you have with joy? That must be one incredible treasure, right? That treasure is like the kingdom of God, and the good news is that we don't have to buy it or earn it, but receive it for free as a gift from God. This is the invitation Jesus makes as he tells these stories, he welcomes you to experience his love and life forever with joy that will not go away.

Talk About It!

- When you experience something that makes you happy, do you stay happy?
- What do you think makes God's kingdom so great that Jesus would tell these stories about it?
- How does knowing God bring you joy?
- How do you get to be part of God's Kingdom?

Experience It!

Get some bubbles or make your own bubble solution and head outside to play. Have fun, try catching the bubbles, counting them, making fun shapes... What happens when you try to grab a bubble in your hand? How is that like trying to grab happiness? Is there joy in playing with bubbles? Where? (maybe in the relationships with family) How can you tell what really matters in life? What do you think these stories Jesus tells are about? Parents, share a story about how knowing God has given you joy, maybe even through tough things.

Pray!

Dear God, thank you so much for creating a kingdom that is so amazing people would give up everything to have it. We thank you that we don't have to earn your kingdom but can have it as a gift. Be with us today and give us joy that never goes away. (Allow everyone a chance to that God or ask God for something) God we pray your kingdom come and your will be done on earth just like it is in Heaven. Amen.