



The Hidden Treasure & The Pearl - Jeff Mickey

Icebreaker:

1. What is an Olympic sport that doesn't exist, but should?
2. If money didn't matter, what would be your dream job?

Summary:

Like the successful investor Peter Lynch, Jesus wants us to know what we own and why we own it because once we discover the value of God's kingdom and why we are even able to own it, our investment in it will increase, causing it to grow and multiply, yielding dramatic dividends for us and those we share it with.

Engage the Bible:

Read Matthew 13:44 - 45 and Luke 14:25-33 - Discuss these two verses as a group.

Small Group Questions:

- What's the most valuable thing you've ever found or purchased?
- Reflecting on the parable of the treasure in the field, what would need to be included in the "treasure" for you to be willing to give up everything to possess it? How do you see God's kingdom in this light?
- In the second parable, Jesus compares the kingdom of heaven to a merchant searching for a pearl of great value. How does understanding your worth to God change the way you view following Jesus?
- What challenges or fears do you have when investing your life fully in following Jesus?
- How can you overcome them?
- What do you need to sell/let go of?