

Tri-Village Sermon Discussion Questions

Topic: *It's for the Kingdom* Text: Matthew 13:44-46 Service Date: January 26, 2025

Note: The questions are only a starting point for discussion. Don't hesitate to modify, adapt, or highlight only specific ones to fit your group and/or personal study.

Getting Started

- What is one way you've seen God speak in your life or someone else's since the last time your group met?
- Read Matthew 13:44-46. From either the text or Sunday's sermon, what things stuck out to you?

Sermon Discussion

- In his sermon, Paul discussed the discovery of treasure by the man in the field. What are some things we discover for our lives when we follow Christ? How can we help others discover treasure for their own lives?
- Paul brought up the decision to be a giver. Why is it difficult to become a proportional or sacrificial giver? How do we overcome those excuses?
- What does it mean to delight in your giving? How do you give joyfully?
- "Your kingdoms and my kingdoms are going to come tumbling down one day. Everything we have right now will come to an end in this world" (Paul Snoddy). Although we should be excited to leave this world and be in our eternal home, some Christians may be sad (i.e. they are attached to their stuff, fear of leaving a family/friend member on earth, scared to die, etc.). Is there anything you think would be sad if you were to die today? Why? Have you prepared your life in such a way as to live with no regrets or earthly attachments?
- What we in this life can echo in eternity. If you were to take a spiritual/eternal assessment of where you focus most of your time, talents, resources, and energy, does it reflect investing more in this life or the one to come?

• We're already at the end of January- the first month of 2025. Do you feel as though you are in a slump spiritually or that this year has already been one where you are making a more intentional effort to grow in your faith? If you have a spiritual gameplan as to not just go through the "motions" this year, take a moment to share it with your group.

Resources

Book: The Year of Biblical Giving by A.J. Jacobs

Book: *The Legacy Journey* by Dave Ramsey

Have you or someone in your group experienced a Story of Life Change?

We'd love to hear about it! In fact, one of Tri-Village's values is "Stories of Life Change". Visit tri-village.org/yourstory and share how God worked.