

**A PEARL  
OF GREAT VALUE**

**MATTHEW 13:44-52**

# MATTHEW 13

44 “The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found and hid again; and from joy over it he goes and **sells all that he has** and buys that field.

45 “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking fine pearls,  
46 and upon finding one pearl of great value, he went and **sold all that he had** and bought it.

# MATTHEW

**3:1** In those days **John the Baptist** came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, **2** “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

**4:17** From that time **Jesus** began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

**Lk. 9:9** His disciples began questioning Him as to what this parable meant. **10** And He said, “To you it has been granted **to know** the mysteries of the **kingdom of God**, but to the rest it is in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.

**Mtt. 13:10** And the disciples came and said to Him, “Why do You speak to them in parables?” **11** Jesus answered them, “To you it has been granted **to know** the mysteries of the **kingdom of heaven**, but to them it has not been granted.

# DEUTERONOMY 6

1 “Now this is **the commandment**, the statutes and the judgments which **the Lord your God has commanded me to teach you**, that you might do them in the land where you are going over to possess it, 2 so that you ...keep all His statutes and His commandments which I command you, all the days of your life, and that **your days may be prolonged..**

Rom.3:2 Much in every way. To begin with, the Jews were **entrusted with the oracles of God.**

# **THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS A THEOCRACY**

**KINGDOM is a Rule by a King**

**DEMOCRACY is a Rule by the People**

**THEOCRACY is a Rule by God**

# MATTHEW 13b

47 “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea, and gathering fish of every kind; 48 and when it was filled, they drew it up on the beach; and they sat down and gathered the good fish into containers, but the bad they threw away.

## MATTHEW 13c

49 So it will be **at the end of the age;** the angels will come forth and **take out the wicked** from among the righteous, 50 and will **throw them into the furnace of fire;** in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.



# MATTHEW 13d

51 “Have you understood all these things?” They \*said to Him, “Yes.” 52 And Jesus said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a head of a household, who brings out of his treasure things new and old.” (insight + tradition)

