

The Importance Of An Absolute Pt21

Buried Treasure

MATTHEW 13:44-46

44. *Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto **treasure hid in a field**; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.*

45. *Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:*

46. *Who, when he had found one **pearl of great price**, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.*

MATTHEW 2:11

11. *And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.*

GOD'S GIFTS ALWAYS FIND THEIR PLACES [63-1222]

...how fitting it fits to Christ, because **gold speaks of Deity**. Gold is "Deity." We'll get to it just in a moment. **Frankincense speaks of "service."** And **myrrh is "death."** God, Deity, in service to die. And that's what He was. The very thing that they brought identified what they thought He was.

THE RESULTS OF DECISION [55-1008]

I'm a prospector. You didn't know that, did you? Yeah, I go down in the Bible, and dig up these gems, and clean them off a little, you know, look at them.

THE PERGAMEAN CHURCH AGE [60-1207]

Oh, I just love these things. Oh, if you could just stay a little longer on one, see, but you just... We want to let you see it and then move on to something else, 'cause it's just--just full of golden nuggets. I'm a prospector; I like to go down and dig these nuggets up and shine them up, and polish them up like this, and look at them. And every one of them will reflect Jesus Christ! Every one of them, see. Every one of them reflects Jesus Christ. He's the Alpha and the Omega, every--every karat of gold in the nugget.

EXPECTATION [61-0205M]

Looking upon this beautiful valley and surrounding mountains, and towering, I like it. I was setting there up high, looking down upon the... this city and I thought, "How many prospectors in the days gone by has passed over this ground and perished right

here in the desert, searching for a gold mine?" And them days are just about past now, but we thank God **we have found the gold mine**. You don't dig it out of your hills here; you get it out of the skies. And now, today we don't prospect any more, but we "suspect" God to fulfill every promise that He ever made, and pour out upon us His bountiful blessings.

MARK 10:21-22

21. *Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have **treasure in heaven**: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.*

22. *And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions.*

HEBREWS 11:26

26. *Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the **treasures in Egypt**: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.*

MATTHEW 6:19-21

19. *Lay not up for yourselves **treasures upon earth**, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:*

20. *But lay up for yourselves **treasures in heaven**, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:*

21. *For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.*

MATTHEW 6:33

33. *But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*

ISRAEL AND THE CHURCH PT5 [53-0329]

Not long ago out in the West, I was having a meeting. I went home with an old rancher for dinner. Oh, why, some of his people had been healed. He'd give me a check there that would've bought me forty-five of these Tabernacles, if I'd have wanted it. I said, "I don't want your money."

Howard, my brother, was with me, said, "Bill, why didn't you take that check?"

I said, "I don't want his money." Let me live day by day. Not money I'm after, I'm wanting to serve the Lord Jesus.

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This rancher walked out of there, he said, "Reverend Branham?"

I said, "Yes, sir."

He said, "You see them mountains over yonder?"

I said, "Yes, sir."

"How far you think they are away?"

I said, "I don't know."

Said, "They're eighty miles." Said, "I own plumb to that, and plumb beyond that. It's my grazing ground."

I said, "My, that's wonderful."

He said, "Now, see down in there, see that city?" He said, "I own the bank in that city; I own all that ground down around there, and I own this way." Oh, all he owned...

Stopped in his little station wagon... I looked at him, very nice man. I laid my hand on his shoulder; I said, "Brother, I want to ask you a question."

He said, "All right."

I said, "Look right up this a-way. How much do you own up That way?" See?

He said, "Brother Branham, I'm afraid I don't own anything."

I said, "**There's where my treasures are laying** now. I don't have nothing down here. *'But a tent, or a cottage, why should I care. They're building a palace for me over there! Of rubies and diamonds, and silver and gold, His coffers are full, and has riches untold.'*" Yes, sir. That's where the riches lays; up yonder, where your treasures is, your heart is also.

II CORINTHIANS 4:7-9

7. **But we have this treasure in earthen vessels**, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

8. *We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;*

9. *Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;*

SHALOM [64-0112]

That's where the jewels are found, wrapped up out here in this gold state of the nation. Where you find gold is down in the dirt. Where you find rubies and jewels is in muck dirt. Just exactly right. That's where we all come from, the muck and dirt from the world. But these here...

I'm a prospector. What does a prospector do? He hunts for gold. Then, when he does, he shines it. And he beats it out, and smelts it, and he gets it ready.

This is the Gold mine. See? I'm looking through here, all the time, for beautiful jewels. See? Find them out here, somewhere in the dust, and polish them up. And say, "Lord, here they are. Here's a brother. Here's a born-again Christian. Here's a fine, young lady. Here's a fine, middle-aged, old woman, my, young woman, whatever it is. Here they are, Lord. They're Your jewels. Put them in Your crown, Lord. They'll shine forever and ever, like that."