#### 08-24-2025

# Stories Jesus Told Part 2: Seeking and Selling Out for the Kingdom Jon Rychener

2010 – 10,000 Bitcoin = \$41 2025 – 10,000 Bitcoin = \$1,141,300,000

Matthew 13:44 (NIV): "The kingdom of heaven is like..."

Matthew 13:44 (NIV): "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field..."

**Matthew 13:44 (NIV):** "... When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field."

**Matthew 13:45-46 (NIV):** "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it."

### Two Responses to Jesus and All that He Offers

## Response #1: Seek After the Kingdom

**Matthew 6:33 (NIV):** "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

#### Response #2: Sell Out for the Kingdom

**Matthew 13:45-46 (NIV):** "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it."

**Psalm 103:2-5 (NIV):** Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.