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What does it mean to commit our lives fully to God?

Matthew 13:44-46

“All that he has” (vv. 44 & 46):-

Question 1 (icebreaker): Have you ever bought a property or started a business, which has taken “everything” at the beginning?

The hidden treasure

⁴⁴ “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

It is both a tragic loss/joyful discovery:-

Question 2: What is so tragic about lost treasure from a human perspective?

Question 3: What is so tragic about lost treasure from a spiritual perspective?

It's worth everything – He gives everything – He gets everything:-

Question 4: Do people sometime lose their sense of perspective when they think something is valuable?

Question 5: Are we a bit measured/reserved/even “materialistic” in our attitude to Christ?

The pearl of great value

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

Question 6: Do you have any jewellery which is of huge sentimental value?

Question 7: What affects the value we put on things?

It's a restless search:-

Question 8: How did you search for spiritual meaning earlier in your life?

One pearl which stands above all others:-

Question 9: What has Christ done for you?

Question 10: What is he calling you to do for him? Have you fully surrendered everything to him? Is there an area of your life which needs to come under his Lordship?

Prayer

Why not pray informally and privately expressing your absolute devotion to Christ, and placing everything you have and are under his Lordship and control