WHAT IS IT THAT YOU HAVE FOUND? (1)

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2025: OUR YEAR OF FULFILLED DREAMS GENESIS 41:1, GENESIS 42:9

- Many believers want the crown without the cross. But if you're not willing to pay the price of discipleship, there is no point pretending to follow Jesus.
- The cost you refuse to pay now will one day outweigh your reasons for avoiding it (Luke 14:27-33).
- Every believer who has constant communication and fellowship with the Holy Spirit knows what God wants them to do. The problem is our unwillingness to yield. We often seek counsel not because we don't know what to do, but to find validation for disobedience (John 16:13, James 4:17).
- What you value most reveals how you see Jesus. If a relationship, reputation, or possession is too precious to surrender, you've already evaluated Jesus as One whose worth is less.
- Every time God asks for something, it is to reveal what or who truly sits on the throne of your heart (Mark 10:21-22).
- The weight of value we place on the kingdom, and by extension, Christ Jesus, will determine how far we are willing to submit to the process of suffering.
- The kingdom of heaven is hidden until it is revealed or found. It is

- hidden from casual seekers but revealed to genuine ones.
- True seekers are willing to unlearn what they thought was true in order to embrace truth.
- Some stumble upon the kingdom (Isaiah 65:1, Ephesians 2:11-13) while others search for it.
- One man "found" the treasure unexpectedly because God ordered his steps (Matthew 13:44); another deliberately sought the pearl (Matthew 13:45-46). Cornelius sought God sincerely with prayer and generosity until heaven responded (Acts 10:1-4). God never ignores a hungry heart.
- Whether it is the man who found the hidden treasure in the field or the merchant who found the pearl of great price, the moment you encounter the kingdom, it will elicit a response from you. You cannot encounter the kingdom and remain the same (Matthew 13:44-46).
- Are you serving God with joy and gladness? Or are you constantly grumbling and complaining because you feel that it is too much of a challenge for you?
- Do you find joy in searching the Scriptures, seeking the lost, and even in your marriage?



- Joy is the proof that you have found the treasure. The man sold all he had for joy over what he found.
- If serving God has become a burden or duty, something is wrong with your joy. The Missionary Force is not a status symbol, nor is it a place for those who serve grudgingly.
- The joy of the Lord is a deep spiritual happiness rooted in a relationship with Him. True joy cannot come from your spouse, job, or possessions—it comes from knowing God.
- If there's no joy in your service, your offering loses its fragrance. Even your daily work is a ministry unto the Lord; serve joyfully as unto Him (Colossians 3:23-24, Philippians 2:14).

Prayer Points

- 1. Lord, grant me grace to pay the full price of discipleship with joy, not reluctance (*Luke 9:23*).
- 2. Deliver me from every attachment that competes with You. I count all things loss for Christ *(Philippians 3:8).*
- 3. Open my eyes to perceive the hidden treasures of Your kingdom *(Luke 17:20-21).*
- 4. Make me a genuine seeker whose heart is ready for Your revelation (*Jeremiah 29:13*).
- 5. Restore joy and gladness to

- my service that I may serve You with a willing heart (*Psalm 100:2*).
- 6. Let the joy of the Lord overflow in my home, my work, and my

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- 7. Revive the excitement of my first encounter with You and renew my love for Your presence (*Revelation 2:4-5*).
- 8. Keep my heart steadfast and unshakable in devotion, counting nothing too costly to surrender for Your kingdom *(Luke 14:33).*
- 9. Father, Let Your joy remain my strength and my reason for living.