

DAY 12 THE VALUE OF THE KINGDOM

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure, buried in a field, that a man found and reburied. Then in his joy he goes and sells everything he has and buys that field.

MATTHEW 13:44, CSB

How valuable do you perceive God's kingdom to be? In the movie *National Treasure*, main character Ben Gates (played by Nicholas Cage) abandons everything to find a treasure his family spent decades unsuccessfully searching for. With his eyes on the prize in front of him, he stops at nothing to follow the clues hidden throughout the United States to find the treasure. Similarly, the man in Matthew 13:44 joyfully gave up all he had because of the value of what he was getting in return. The kingdom of God held so much weight to him that selling all he had was a small cost compared to his gain. As missionary Jim Elliot put it, "He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." Never stop seeing the kingdom of God as the greatest treasure, and set your heart adamantly on inviting our *one* into this joy.

Pray you would value the kingdom like the man in Matthew 13:44 and that it would propel you to share your findings with your *one*.