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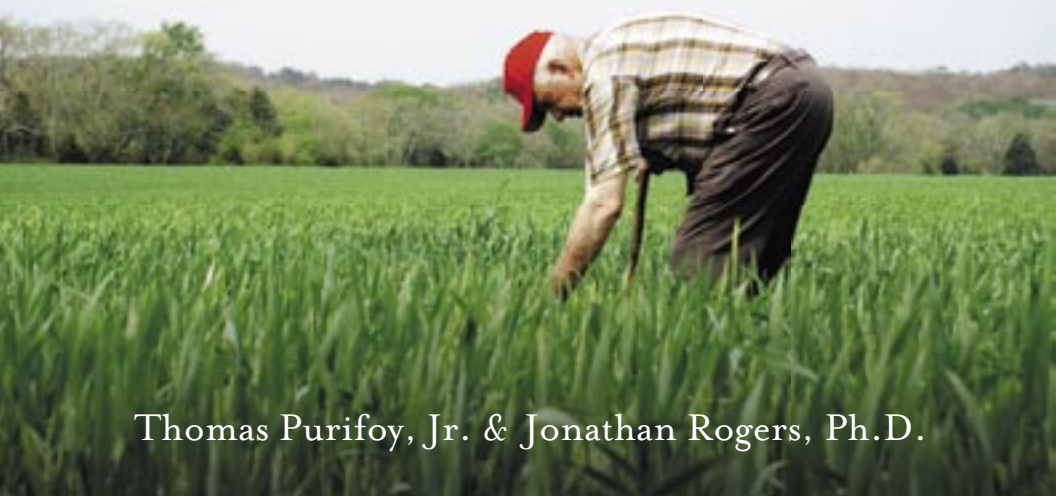
LIVING IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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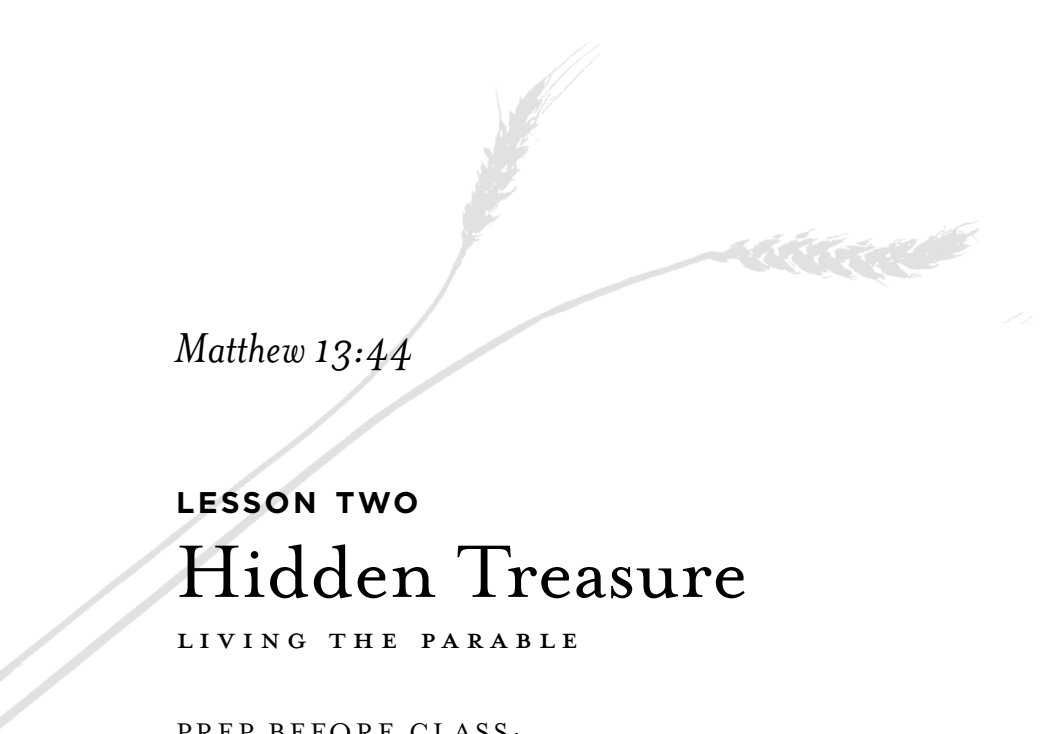
Teacher's Guide

S A M P L E : L E S S O N 2

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Matthew 13:44

LESSON TWO

Hidden Treasure

LIVING THE PARABLE

PREP BEFORE CLASS:

- **WATCH THE APPLICATION VIDEO FOR *HIDDEN TREASURE*.** (13 minutes)
- **REVIEW ALL OF LESSON 2 IN THIS GUIDE.** (Approx 10 minutes)
- **READ ALL OF LESSON 2 IN THE STUDENT BOOK.** (Approx 20 minutes)

WHAT TO DO DURING CLASS:



STEP 1: RE-READ THE BIBLICAL TEXT

Matthew 13:44

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. MATT 13:44



STEP 2: PLAY THE APPLICATION VIDEO

(10 minutes).

Put in DVD 1. The first screen is a menu screen. Select Play Stereo under Lesson 2: Hidden Treasure Application Video. (Note: the application videos are only offered in Stereo.)

During the application video, Dr. Doriani takes a few minutes to explain the four questions of Biblical Application.

Pastor Info: Daniel M. Doriani, Ph.D., Senior Pastor, Central Presbyterian Church, St. Louis, Missouri; Adjunct Professor of New Testament, Covenant Seminary. Dr. Doriani served as Covenant Seminary's Dean of Faculty from 1995 to 2003, when he accepted the pastorate of Central Presbyterian Church (EPC) in St. Louis. His books include *Getting the Message*, *Women in Ministry*, *The Life of a God-Made Man*, and *Putting the Truth to Work: The Theory and practice of Biblical Interpretation*.

You can review the text of Dr. Doriani's application video in Lesson 2 of the accompanying Student Book.



STEP 3: ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT THE APPLICATION VIDEO (10-15 minutes)

Use this time to dig into what the pastor was saying in the application video. You can create your own questions or choose a few of the questions below to ask. You will likely not have time to ask all the questions, so during the prep time, select those that most interest you.

1. What does the parable say about appearances versus reality?
2. Have we sold everything to possess the Kingdom, or are there things we're holding back?
3. Dr. Doriani talks about four questions that people ask - what did you think about looking at Biblical application as four questions?
 - a. What did he say about duty?
 - b. What did he say about character?
 - c. What did he say about goals?
 - d. What did he say about wisdom or discernment?
4. Are we willing to face scorn for the Kingdom?
5. What did we have to give up to enter the Kingdom?



**STEP 4: REVIEW THE FILM/DISCUSS
THE PARABLE.** (15-20 minutes)

This is the final section to talk about the parable. You can use the parallels table found in the Student Book to lead a discussion about the parable. Or you can watch sections of the film again by skipping to the particular scene you want to discuss. A breakdown of the scenes is listed below:

- Chapter 1 - Bad Piece of Property
- Chapter 2 - Looking for a Phone/Finding Oil
- Chapter 3 - Sharing the Good News
- Chapter 4 - Geology Lab
- Chapter 5 - Convincing Clarissa to Sell Everything
- Chapter 6 - The Garage Sale
- Chapter 7 - Title Office & Closing

**WHAT TO TELL THE CLASS BEFORE
NEXT WEEK:**

Tell your students to read Lesson 2 in their Student Book. The material in that book will go into greater depth on the parable.

Next week: *Samaritan* film.