



Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Year A

Genesis 29:15-28 and Psalm 105:1-11, 45b or Psalm 128 1

Kings 3:5-12 and Psalm 119:129-136

Romans 8:26-39 • Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

... Jacob served seven years for Rachel,
and they seemed to him but a few days
because of the love he had for her.

Genesis 29:20



Jacob and Rachel at the Well -- F. Antolínez y Sarabia, El Paso Museum of Art, El Paso, TX

Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually.

Psalm 105:4



Jacob Tending
Flock

Jose de Ribera
El Escorial
Madrid, Spain

For I am convinced that neither death,
nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor
things present, nor things to come,
nor powers,

Romans 8:38

nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38



What Wondrous Love is This

Mike Moyers
Nashville, TN

"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed ... it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs ... "

Matthew 13:31b, 32a



Parable of the Mustard Seed -- YMCA Training Center, Kassel, Germany

"The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

Matthew 13:33b

The Art of Making
Bread

Tikal, Guatemala



"The kingdom of heaven is like
treasure hidden in a field, which
someone found and hid ...

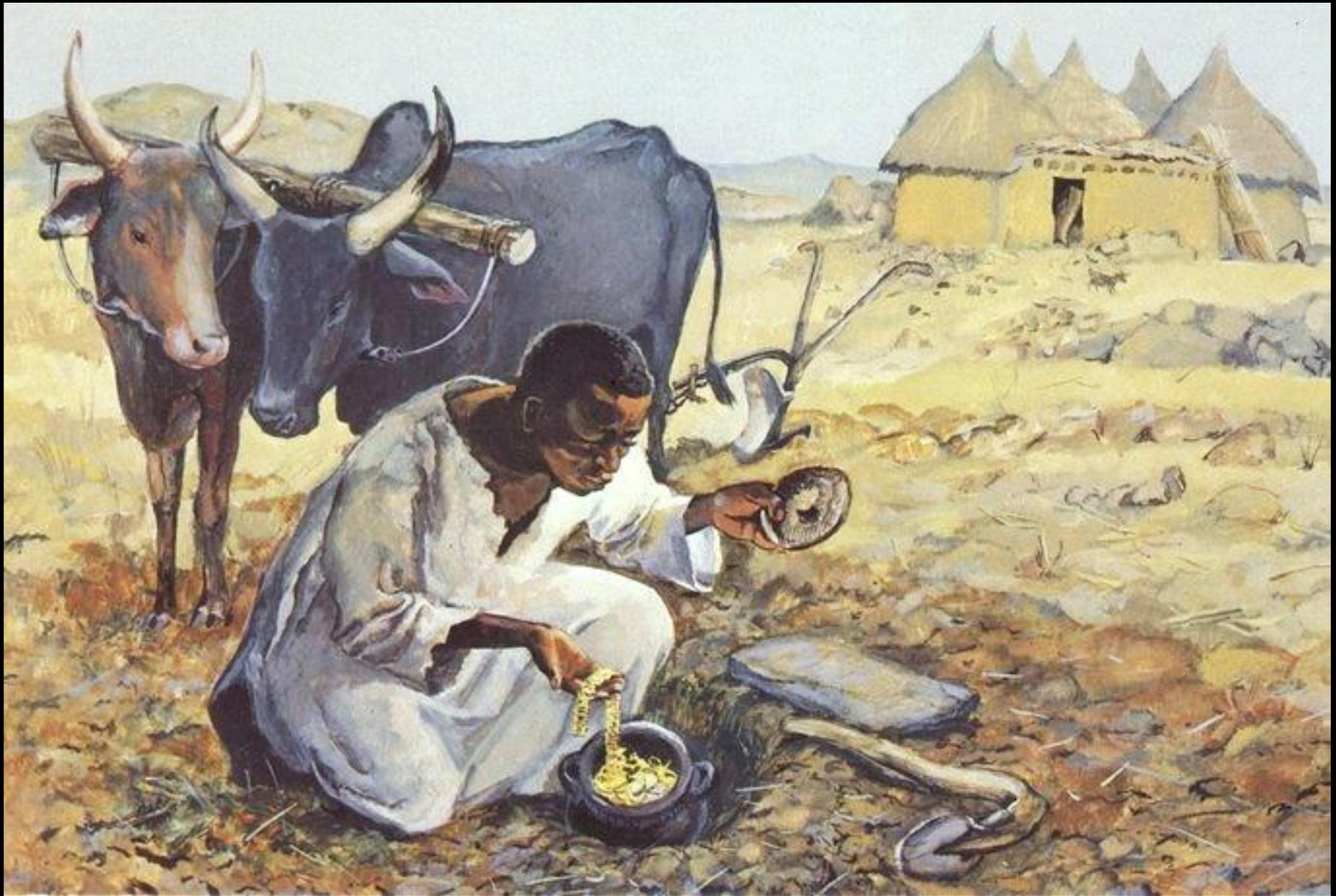
Matthew 13:44a



The Hidden Treasure -- Workshop of Rembrandt, Museum of Fine Arts, Budapest, Hungary

"... then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field."

Matthew 13:44b



Parable of the Hidden Treasure -- JESUS MAFA, Cameroon

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

Matthew 13:46



Pearl of Great Price

John Everett Millais
from Parables of Our
Lord

Credits

New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

https://commons.m.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Francisco_Antolinez_y_Sarabia_-_%27Jacob_and_Rachel_at_the_Well%27,_oil_on_canvas,_1670,_El_Paso_Museum_of_Art.jpg

[https://commons.m.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Jacob_y_el_reba%C3%B1o_de_Lab%C3%A1n,_de_Jos%C3%A9_de_Ribera_\(Monasterio_de_El_Escorial\).jpg](https://commons.m.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Jacob_y_el_reba%C3%B1o_de_Lab%C3%A1n,_de_Jos%C3%A9_de_Ribera_(Monasterio_de_El_Escorial).jpg)

<http://www.lewpstudio.com> - copyright by Lauren Wright Pittman

[http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Tiffany_Education_\(center\).JPG](http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Tiffany_Education_(center).JPG)

<https://www.mikemoyersfineart.com/>

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/tin-g/90272565>

[http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Flickr_-_archer10_\(Dennis\)_-_Guatemala-1682.jpg](http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Flickr_-_archer10_(Dennis)_-_Guatemala-1682.jpg)

https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Parable_of_the_hidden_treasure_Rembrandt_-_Gerard_Dou.jpg

<http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=48286>

http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Pearl_of_great_price.jpg

Additional descriptions can be found at the Art in the Christian Tradition image library, a service of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, <http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/>. All images available via Creative Commons 3.0 License.