

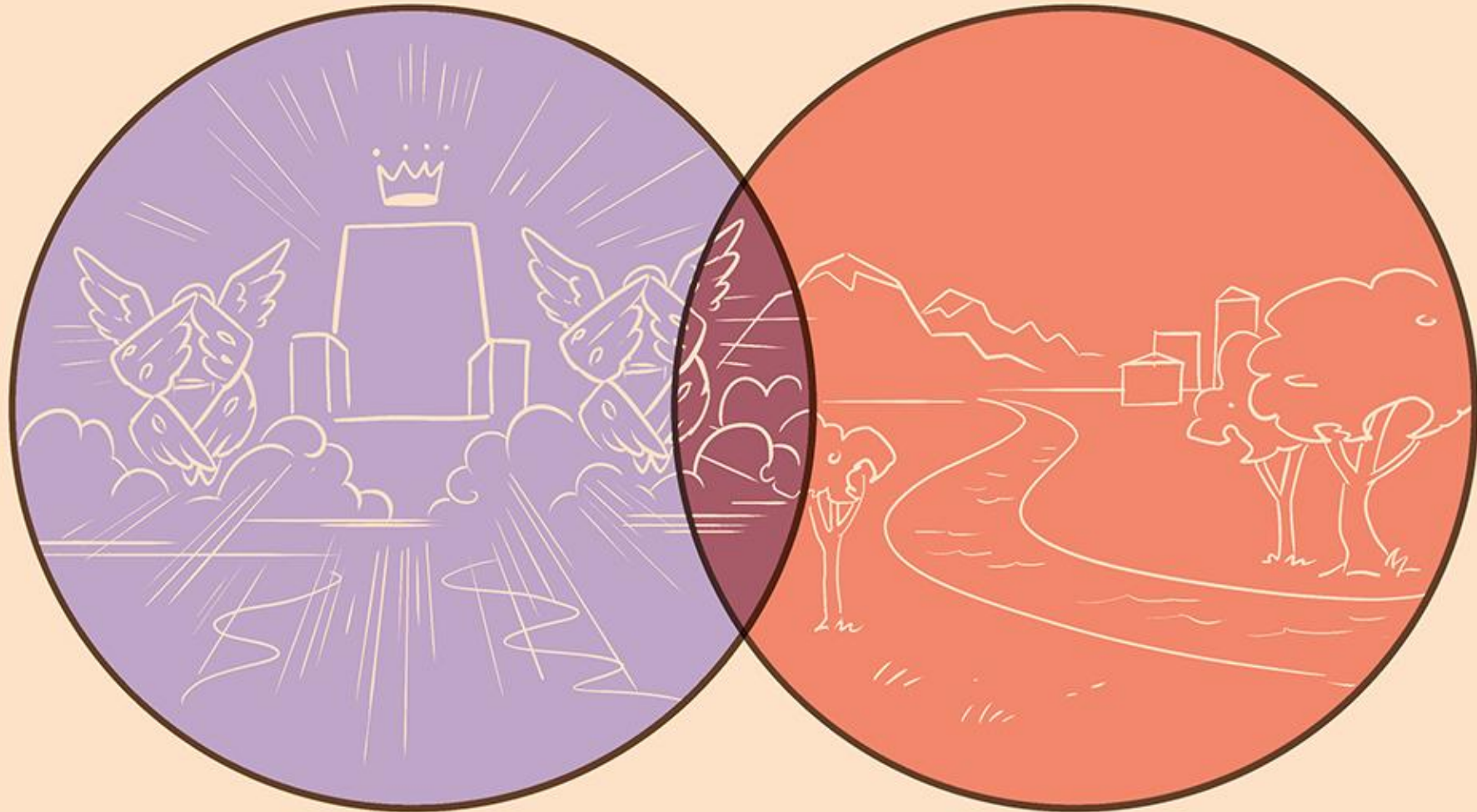


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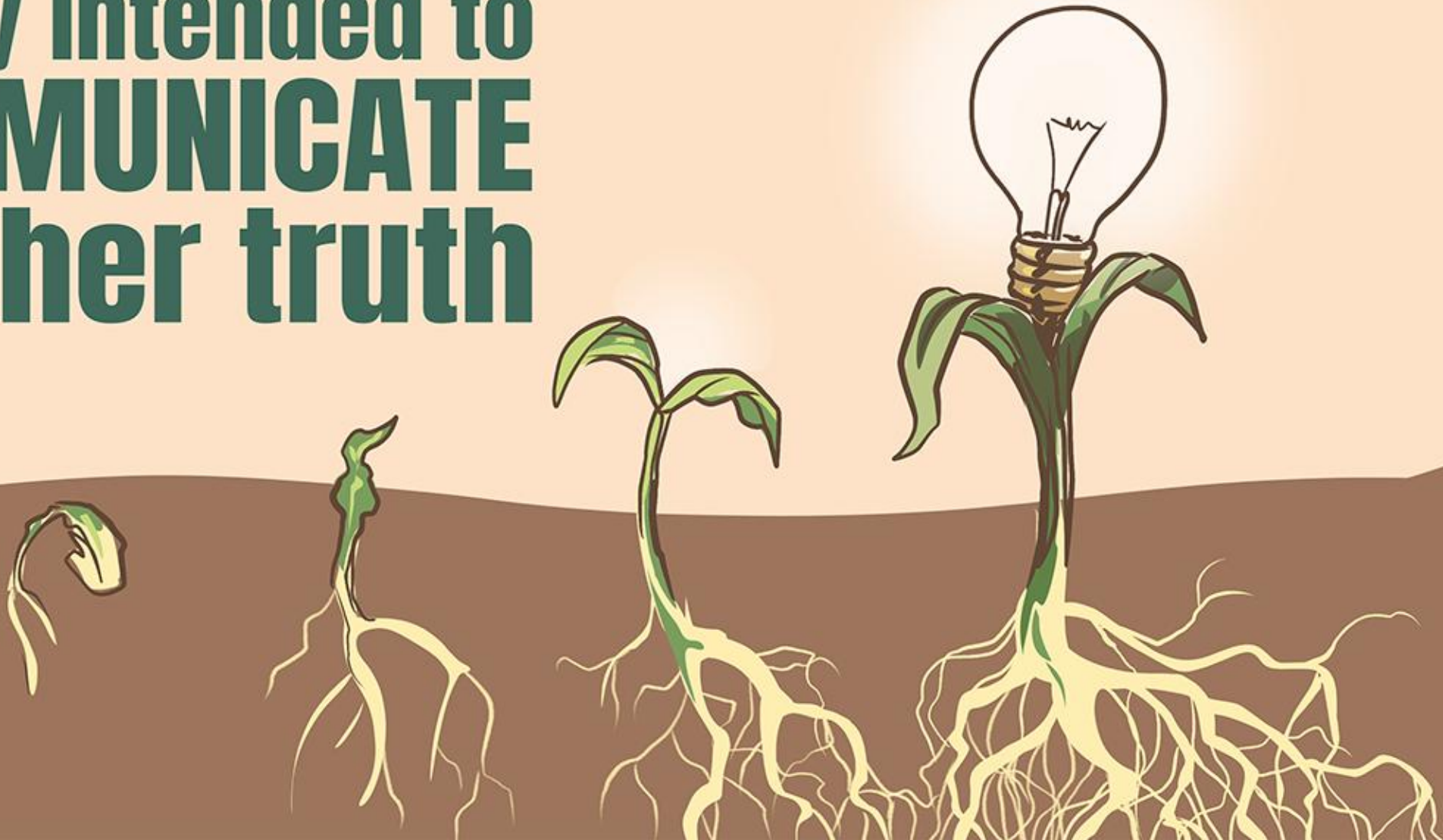
The Valuable Kingdom

THE OVERLAP

of the kingdom of heaven



PARABLE:
a story intended to
COMMUNICATE
another truth



⁴⁴ “The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure that a man discovered hidden in a field. In his excitement, he hid it again and sold everything he owned to get enough money to buy the field.

⁴⁵ “Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant on the lookout for choice pearls. ⁴⁶

When he discovered a pearl of great value, he sold everything he owned and bought it!

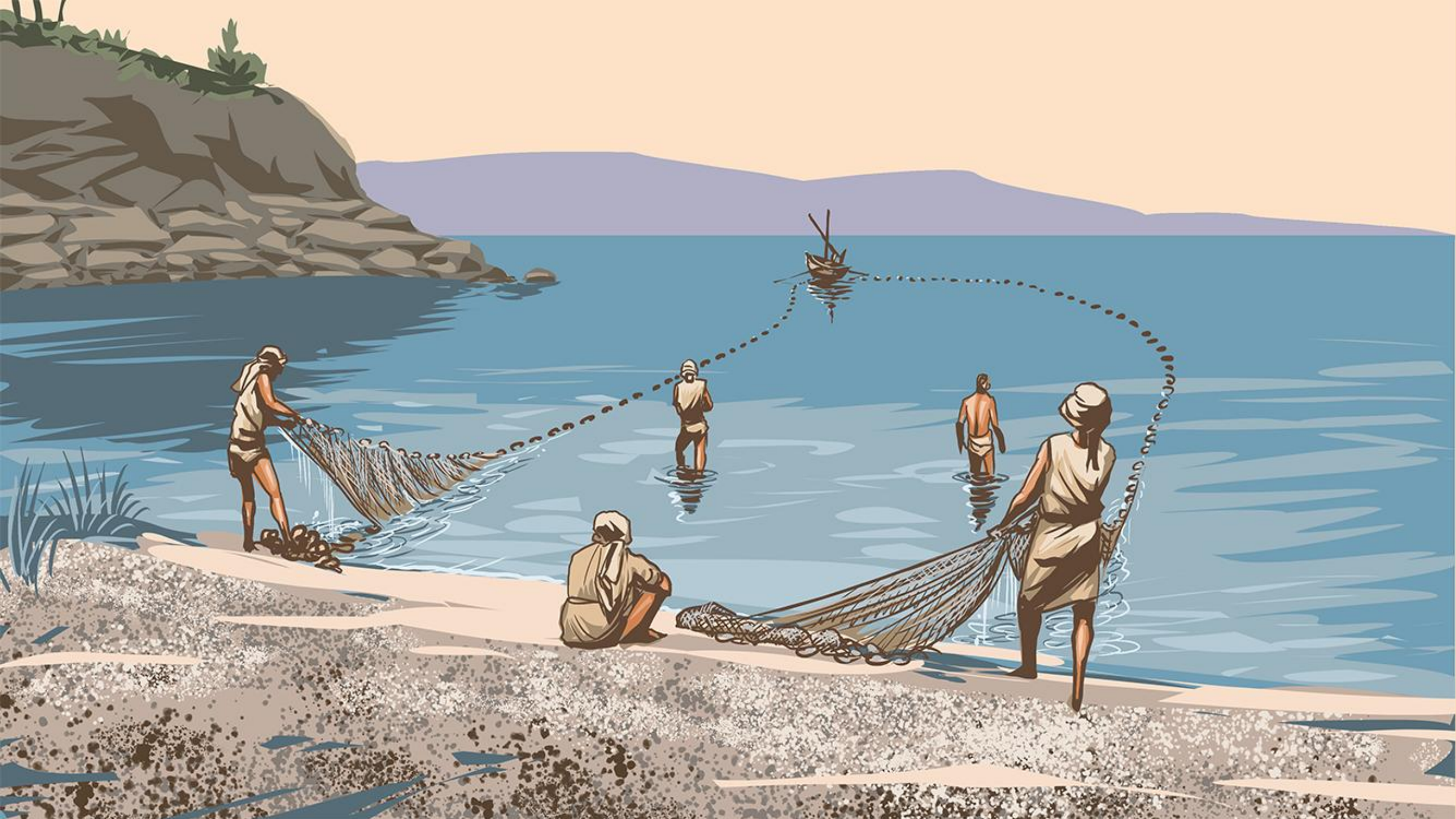


**God's
kingdom
is our most
VALUABLE
PURSUIT**



⁴⁷ “Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a fishing net that was thrown into the water and caught fish of every kind. ⁴⁸ When the net was full, they dragged it up onto the shore, sat down, and sorted the good fish into crates, but threw the bad ones away.

49 That is the way it will be at the end of the world. The angels will come and separate the wicked people from the righteous, ⁵⁰ throwing the wicked into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.





**THE VALUE
of God's
kingdom is
revealed in its
URGENCY**

⁵¹ Do you understand all these things?” “Yes,” they said, “we do.” ⁵² Then he added, “Every teacher of religious law who becomes a disciple in the Kingdom of Heaven is like a homeowner who brings from his storeroom new gems of truth as well as old.”

God's
kingdom is
VALUABLE
because of its
ever-expanding
ILLUMINATION



⁵³ When Jesus had finished telling these stories and illustrations, he left that part of the country.

⁵⁴ He returned to Nazareth, his hometown.

When he taught there in the synagogue, everyone was amazed and said, “Where does he get this wisdom and the power to do miracles?”

⁵⁵ Then they scoffed, “He’s just the carpenter’s son, and we know Mary, his mother, and his brothers—James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas.” ⁵⁶ All his sisters live right here among us. Where did he learn all these things?” ⁵⁷ And they were deeply offended and refused to believe in him.

Then Jesus told them, “A prophet is honored everywhere except in his own hometown and among his own family.”⁵⁸ And so he did only a few miracles there because of their unbelief.



**THE VALUE
of God's
kingdom is
perceived by
FAITH**



the good news according to

MATTHEW