Parable of the Treasure and Pearl

Why was there a treasure hidden in the field?
How did people view pearls when Jesus told this parable?
Is there any, possession, gem, precious metal, real estate, position of fame or power, educational achievement, stock, or investment that has eternal value?
What is the transaction involved in salvation?
Matthew 16:24-25 (ESV) Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him himself and take up his and follow me. For whoever would his life will it, but whoever his life for my sake will it.
How do the things you value influence your priorities?
This Week's Prayer Father, thank for your kingdom. Thank you for sending Jesus to die for me. Lord Jesus, I thank you for being my King. Father, please forgive me when I place things of this world above your kingdom. Holy Spirit, direct my thinking and stir my heart to value the Kingdom of heaven more than anything. Father, use me to help others to know the incomparable value of your kingdom.

This Week's Verse Philippians 3:8-11

- ⁸ More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ,
- ⁹ and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from *the* Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which *comes* from God on the basis of faith,
 - that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death;
 - in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.