

WHAT IT DOES NOT MEAN TO BE LOST!

Luke 19:10 *"For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."*

1. Being Lost Doesn't Mean That God Doesn't Bless You.

Luke 12:13-21 *And someone in the crowd said to Him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." (14) But He said to him, "Man, who appointed Me a judge or arbiter over you?" (15) And He said to them, "Beware, and be on your guard against every form of greed; for not even when one has an abundance does his life consist of his possessions." (16) And He told them a parable, saying, "The land of a certain rich man was very productive. (17) "And he began reasoning to himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no place to store my crops?' (18) "And he said, 'This is what I will do: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. (19) 'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years to come; take your ease, eat, drink and be merry.'" (20) "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your soul is required of you; and now who will own what you have prepared?' (21) "So is the man who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."*

2. Being Lost Doesn't Mean That You Are A Chief Sinner.

Luke 13:1-5 *Now on the same occasion there were some present who reported to Him about the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. (2) And He answered and said to them, "Do you suppose that these Galileans were greater sinners than all other Galileans, because they suffered this fate? (3) "I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. (4) "Or do you suppose that those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them, were worse culprits than all the men who live in Jerusalem? (5) "I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."*

3. Being Lost Doesn't Mean That You Are Unsuccessful Or A Failures In Life.

Luke 16:19-31 *"Now there was a certain rich man, and he habitually dressed in purple and fine linen, gaily living in splendor every day. (20) "And a certain poor man named Lazarus was laid at his gate, covered with sores, (21) and longing to be fed with the crumbs which were falling from the rich man's table; besides, even the dogs were coming and licking his sores. (22) "Now it came about that the poor man died and he was carried away by the angels to Abraham's bosom; and the rich man also died and was buried. (23) "And in Hades he lifted up his eyes, being in torment, and *saw Abraham far away, and Lazarus in his bosom. (24) "And he cried out and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool off my tongue; for I am in agony in this flame.' (25) "But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your life you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus bad things; but now he is being comforted here, and you are in agony. (26) 'And besides all this, between us and you there is a great chasm fixed, in order that those who wish to come over from here to you may not be able, and that none may cross over from there to us.' (27) "And he said, 'Then I beg you, Father, that you send him to my father's house-- (28) for I have five brothers--that he may warn them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' (29) "But Abraham *said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' (30) "But he said, 'No, Father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent!' (31) "But he said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone rises from the dead.'"*

4. Being Lost Doesn't Mean That You Are An Evil Person.

Luke 18:18-30 *And a certain ruler questioned Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" (19) And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God alone. (20) "You know the commandments, 'DO NOT COMMIT ADULTERY, DO NOT MURDER, DO NOT STEAL, DO NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS, HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER.'" (21) And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." (22) And when Jesus heard this, He said to him, "One thing you still lack; sell all that you possess, and distribute it to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." (23) But when he had heard these things, he became very sad; for he was extremely rich. (24) And Jesus looked at him and said, "How hard it is for those who are wealthy to enter the kingdom of God! (25) "For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." (26) And they who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" (27) But He said, "The things impossible with men are possible with God." (28) And Peter said, "Behold, we have left our own homes, and followed You." (29) And He said to them, "Truly I say to you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, (30) who shall not receive many times as much at this time and in the age to come, eternal life."*

5. Being Lost Doesn't Mean That You Don't Know About Jesus.

John 3:1-5 *Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews; (2) this man came to Him by night, and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." (3) Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." (4) Nicodemus *said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born, can he?" (5) Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."*

6. Being Lost Doesn't Mean That You Don't Have Any Spiritual Insight.

John 4:1-26 *When therefore the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John (2) (although Jesus Himself was not baptizing, but His disciples were), (3) He left Judea, and departed again into Galilee. (4) And He had to pass through Samaria. (5) So He *came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph; (6) and Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, was sitting thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. (7) There *came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus *said to her, "Give Me a drink." (8) For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. (9) The Samaritan woman therefore *said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) (10) Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." (11) She *said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where then do You get that living water? (12) "You are not greater than our father Jacob, are You, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" (13) Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water shall thirst again; (14) but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life." (15) The woman *said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, so I will not be thirsty, nor come all the way here to draw." (16) He *said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." (17) The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus *said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband'; (18) for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; this you have said truly." (19) The woman *said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. (20) "Our fathers worshiped in this mountain, and you people say that in*

*Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." (21) Jesus *said to her, "Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, shall you worship the Father. (22) "You worship that which you do not know; we worship that which we know, for salvation is from the Jews. (23) "But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. (24) "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." (25) The woman *said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us." (26) Jesus *said to her, "I who speak to you am He."*

7. Being Lost Doesn't Mean That There Isn't Any Spiritual Activity In Your Life.

Acts 10:1-8 Now there was a certain man at Caesarea named Cornelius, a centurion of what was called the Italian cohort, (2) a devout man, and one who feared God with all his household, and gave many alms to the Jewish people, and prayed to God continually. (3) About the ninth hour of the day he clearly saw in a vision an angel of God who had just come in to him, and said to him, "Cornelius!" (4) And fixing his gaze upon him and being much alarmed, he said, "What is it, Lord?" And he said to him, "Your prayers and alms have ascended as a memorial before God. (5) "And now dispatch some men to Joppa, and send for a man named Simon, who is also called Peter; (6) he is staying with a certain tanner named Simon, whose house is by the sea." (7) And when the angel who was speaking to him had departed, he summoned two of his servants and a devout soldier of those who were in constant attendance upon him, (8) and after he had explained everything to them, he sent them to Joppa.

8. Being Lost Doesn't Mean You Don't Give To The Needy and Don't Pray.

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Eph 2:8-10 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; (9) not as a result of works, that no one should boast. (10) For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Eph 2:12-14 remember that you were at that time separate from Christ, excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. (13) But now in Christ Jesus you who formerly were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. (14) For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one, and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall,

- A. To Be Without Christ
- B. To Be Without Citizenship
- C. To Be Without Covenants Of Promise
- D. To Be Without Hope
- E. To Be Without God
- F. To Be Without Blood
- G. To Be Without Peace