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Subject: Saved and Lost

Reading One: Luke 19:10

“the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost”

God came into the world as a man. Why would He do this? He who holds the world in His power, so why would he come?

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life”(John 3:16).

Reading Two: Luke 15:1-7

“This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them”

The Pharisees sought to pick on the Lord Jesus. He that hath a love for sinners. In John 6:37, we read His words, “Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out”

He receives sinners – He has time for you. He has a care for each person individually. He is “not willing that any should perish”(2 Pet 3:9).

“All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned everyone to his own way”(Isa 53:6) because of sin we follow our own way and turn aside from God. Sheep do not follow alone, they need a shepherd. A lost sheep is not concerned with the dangers. We as sinners, separated from God need someone to come and help us, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Sin has consequences, “The wages of sin is death”(Rom 6:23). This is not simply physical death, but eternal separation from God. God will one day punish sin and we are all far from God.

What can we do?

“The Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all”- The Lord Jesus bore the punishment of sin on the cross. “The Good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep”(John 10:11).

God loves us so much that when we were lost He sent His Son. When we get saved God rejoices for we are precious to Him.

Reading Three: Matthew 14v22-31

“Lord, save me”

As Peter was sinking, we are sinking in our sins. He would have drowned had he not called on the Lord Jesus.

We could end up in hell as opposed to heaven as the consequence of our sin if we don't trust the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour.

Peter asked for the Lord to save him. We too need to ask the Lord to save us acknowledging we are sinners. We need to cry “Lord save me” and He will save us immediately

Reading Four: Acts 16v25-31

Sin causes misery in the life. Pleasures of the world will not bring fulfillment in this life.

“[What must I do yo be saved?](#)” - A very important question.

“[Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ](#)” - A very simple answer.

What do you need to do to be lost? Nothing, carry on as you are.