**THE BEST PLACES TO GET LOST**

Matthew 18:11

**11**[**For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Matthew-18-11/)

**INTRO:**

**1. No one can ever get SAVED until that person first realizes and admits that he is LOST.**

**Illustration: There was a couple in an unfamiliar city who got lost. At first they were concerned, but before hopelessness and fear could settle in, they got to noticing all the attractions in the city. Soon they were indulging in the pleasures and didn’t worry at all about being lost.**

**Application: That is what is wrong with lost people today. Sinners realize they are lost and become concerned at first. However, before the fearful and hopeless feeling can take hold, the devil involves lost people in the pleasures and attractions of sin. Therefore, lost people are so distracted by the pleasures that they never ask God to save them from their lost condition. But the pleasures are temporary!**

**2. So many are charmed and captivated by the worldly and wicked pleasures that their heads and their hearts have shut out the Holy Ghost and Holy Gospel that speaks the truth to them and causes them to get lost!**

**3. Today I want to preach to you the Holy Gospel through the Holy Ghost that speaks to you and causes you to get lost!**

**4. By the way, there’s only one way to get saved and that’s by the blood of the Lamb!**

**5. However, I want to present the idea to you that there are many ways we all (including myself) can get lost!**

**\*\*So now the preacher is telling you in the name of the Lord to GET LOST! Here are the best places to get lost!**

**I. GET LOST IN THE BROKENNESS**

**Psalms 51:17 17**[**The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-51-17/)

**\*\*If you are a sorry, low-down, rotten-to-the-core ungodly sinner, God is not looking for you to come to Him offering a sacrifice of a lamb or any other animal like they did in the Old Testament.**

**\*\*If you are lost, God is not looking for your sacrifice of Time, Tithes, or Talents either!**

**\*\* God is looking for those who will offer up and sacrifice their broken spirit to the one and only High Priest – Jesus Christ!**

**Psalms 147:3 3**[**He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-147-3/)

**\*\*If you never get lost and broken you cannot get saved!**

**\*\*When you get lost in brokenness you will be broken by. .**

 **A. The Burden of Sin**

**\*\*Get lost and know the Burden of Sin causes brokenness!**

 **1. The Burden of Sin is Hard**

**Proverbs 13:15 15**[**Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors *is* hard.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Proverbs-13-15/)

**\*\*You will never get lost until you get a good understanding that sinful living makes your life hard and causes your brokenness!**

 **2. The Burden of Sin is Heavy**

**Hebrews 12:1 1** [**. . . let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*,**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Hebrews-12-1/)

**\*\*Get lost and realize and admit . . .**

 **a. The Load of Sin is Too Heavy**

 **b. The Labor of Sin is Too Heavy**

 **B. The Blot of Sin**

**\*\*Blot means a mark and a disgrace, and you can get lost when you realize and admit you have been marked by sin and disgraced by sin!**

**\*\* When you get lost your heart breaks because you realize you are . . .**

 **1. Bashed By Sin**

**\*\*Sin bashes Hearts, Homes, Health, and Harmony!**

 **2. Bothered By Sin**

**\*\*Are you bothered with the fact that the Savior does not live in your heart because sin and shame live in your heart instead? If so, you are lost!!**

 **3. Belittled By Sin**

**\*\*Sin belittles you when you feel guilty for your sin because you know your sin has caused a disgrace, a dishonor, a discredit and a disrespect against your soul and against the Savior!**

**\*\*\*IF YOU ARE LOST AND BROKEN BY THE BURDEN OF SIN AND THE BLOT OF SIN, YOU CAN GIVE YOUR HEART AND BROKEN SPIRIT TO GOD AND HE WILL SAVE YOU!!**

**Matthew 11:28 28**[**Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Matthew-11-28/)

**\*\*Are you heavily laboring and broken because of the Burden of Sin?**

**\*\*Are you heavy laden and broken because of the Blot of Sin?**

**\*\*Get Lost in Brokenness before the Lord and He will find you and save you!**

**II. GET LOST IN THE BLOOD**

**I John 1:7 . . .** [**the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-John-1-7/)

**\*\*When you get lost in the blood of Jesus, you can know about . . .**

 **A. The Power of the Blood**

**I Peter 1:18-19 18**[**Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers;**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Peter-1-18/) **19**[**But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Peter-1-19/)

**\*\*Get Lost In The Blood That Has . . .**

 **1. The Power To Cleanse**

 **a. The Blood Cleanses Your Sin**

 **b. The Blood Cleanses Your Sorry-Self**

 **c. The Blood Cleanses Your Stains**

 **2. The Power To Change**

**Illustration: JohnWesley was robbed one night and the thief got a little money and Christian literature. The thief turned around when John hollered, “Stop! I got something else for you. You may regret this life one day. If you ever do, remember the blood of Jesus saves us all from sin!”**

 **Years later after a service a man came to Wesley and told him that he was the one who had robbed him years before. He also told him that Wesley’s words that night rang in his heart and it was the blood of Jesus that had changed him! That old sinner man was a new saved man because he got lost in the blood of Jesus!**

 **B. The Promise of the Blood**

 **1. A Promise About A Freedom**

**John 8:36 36**[**If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-8-36/)

 **2. A Promise About A Future**

**John 3:15 15**[**That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-3-15/)

**\*\*Nobody can get saved until they get lost in Brokenness and then get lost in the Blood!**

**III. GET LOST IN THE BIBLE**

**II Timothy 2:15 15**[**Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Timothy-2-15/)

**\*\*When you get lost in the Word of God . . .**

 **A. It Will Equip You**

 **1. It Will Equip You For The Faith**

 **a. It Will Equip You For A Saving Faith**

**II Timothy 3:15 15**[**And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Timothy-3-15/)

**\*\*Getting lost in the scripture will allow us to see our Condition, Condemnation, and Conversion!**

 **b. It Will Equip You For A Serving Faith**

**\*\*Get lost in the scripture and you to can know about the Wonders of God, the Will of God, the Ways of God, and the Work of God**

 **2. It Will Equip You For The Fight**

 **a. You Can Put On The Right Armor**

 **b. You Can Put On The Right Attitude**

 **B. It Will Enable You**

 **1. It Will Enable You To Grow Spiritually**

 **2. It Will Enable You To Go Spiritually**

 **C. It Will Enlighten You**

**\*\*Get lost in the Bible and it will enlighten you and it will**

**Coach You, Chastise You, Correct You, and Command You!**

**\*\*We need more Christians that will get lost in the precious pages of God’s Word! It’s one of the best places to get lost!**

**IV. GET LOST IN THE BLESSINGS**

**Psalms 68:19 19**[**Blessed *be* the Lord, *who* daily loadeth us *with benefits, even* the God of our salvation. Selah.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-68-19/)

**\*\*The Abundant Life is a Life that Gets Lost in the Blessings of the Lord that are Past, Present, and Promised!**

 **A. Get Lost In The Blessings Of His Salvation**

**\*\*Get lost in the blessings of salvation that includes . . .**

**1. Forgiveness 2. Favor 3. Freedom 4. Future**

**\*\*Get lost in these things and never get over it!**

 **B. Get Lost In The Blessings Of His Spirit**

**\*\*It’s good to get lost in the blessings of the good Holy Spirit!**

**\*\*I get lost in the blessings of knowing I personally know the Holy Spirit that can still be . . .**

**1. Felt 2. Found 3. Fresh - It never gets old!**

 **C. Get Lost In The Blessings Of His Sanctuary**

**\*\*Thank God for an Old-Fashioned, Bible-Preaching, Hymn-Singing, Holy Spirit Filled, Go-To-Meeting, Loving little church where we can worship the Lord!**

**\*\*This is a good place to get lost!**

 **1. Get Lost Here In The Songs**

 **2. Get Lost Here In The Sermon**

 **3. Get Lost Here In The Shouting**

 **4. Get Lost Here In The Supplication**

**\*\*Get Lost Here In His Sanctuary Because This Is Where You Will Find a. The Habitation of the Lord**

 **b. The Heritage of the Lord**

**\*\*Right here in the sanctuary is best place I know to get lost!**

**\*\*Do you ever get lost in the blessings of the Lord?**

**CLOSE**

**1. In Luke 19:10, Jesus told Zacchaeus, “10**[**For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Luke-19-10/)**”**

**2. I believe the Lord is still seeking for those who are lost!**

**3. I’m going to make some statements that I hope you agree with and I get an “Amen!”**

 **a. The Lord is coming back to take to heaven those who are saved!**

 **b. Those who are not saved will go to hell because they are lost and have not trusted the Lord to be their Savior!**

**\*\*So far so good!**

 **c. When the Lord comes back, He will be seeking to save the saved people from the terrible fate of the world!!**

 **d. The only church people that will go with Him to heaven are saved people who have committed their life to getting lost in His Blood, in His Bible, and in His Blessings!**

 **e. In the context of the Lord’s return, “the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost” in His Blood, in His Bible, in His Blessings!!**

**\*\*Can you agree with that?**

**4. Now in the context of before He returns, “the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost” in Brokenness!**

**5. Are you lost today in brokenness?**

 **a. Is your heart broken by the burden of sin? Is that burden of sin hard to carry and heavy to carry?**

 **b. Is your heart broken by the blot of sin in your life?**

 **c. Do you feel sinful? Do you feel like an unforgiven sinner? Do you feel like if you do not come right now and ask God to save you, you will go to Hell?**