

Four Great Losses

(Luke 19:10)

- Introduction:
1. Have you ever lost something of great value?
 2. The Bible records at least four things that were lost; things that we can lose even today.
 3. Let's examine those losses.

I. The Lost Book

- A. (2 Kings 22:8).
- B. How could the book of the law be lost in the house of God?
 1. It could have been carelessly mislaid and neglected.
 2. It could have been maliciously concealed.
 3. It could have been hidden by friends to prevent it from falling into the hands of the enemy.
- C. Whatever the reason for it being lost, when it was found, it brought revival.
- D. Can the book of God be lost today?

II. The Lost Christ

- A. (Luke 2:41-52).
- B. Jesus was lost for three days, only to be found in the temple.
- C. Christ can still be lost today through:
 1. Misunderstanding and ignorance (Hosea 4:6).
 2. Sin and rebellion (John 8:21).
- D. Jesus can be found today by seeking and surrendering (John 7:17).

III. The Lost Opportunity

- A. (Luke 16:19-31).
- B. He could have ministered, but he chose not to.
- C. What are we doing with our opportunities?
 1. Opportunities to serve God (Acts 24:25)
 2. Opportunities to serve others (Galatians 6:10).

IV. The Lost Soul

- A. (Luke 12:16-21).
- B. This is the greatest of all losses.
- C. (Matthew 16:26).

- Conclusion:
1. When the lost book is found, we have the key to knowledge and revival.
 2. When the lost Christ is found, we have found a Savior.
 3. When the lost opportunity is found you have work to do.
 4. And when the lost soul is found, you have eternal life.