



***KNOCKED DOWN BY
BEING LOST***
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“The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.” Luke 19:10 (NIV)

“LOST” IMPLIES VALUE

JESUS CAME TO...

1. HEAL THOSE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR HEALTH.

“Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people. News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed; and he healed them.” Matthew 4:23-24 (NIV)

THE HEALING OF A MAN WITH LEPROSY: Mark 1:40-42 (NIV)

“Believing-prayer will heal you, and Jesus will put you on your feet. And if you've sinned, you'll be forgiven—healed inside and out.” James 5:15 (MSG)

2. DELIVER THOSE WHO LOST THEIR FREEDOM.

“Jesus said ‘The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.’” Luke 4:18-19 (NIV)

THE HEALING OF A PARALYZED MAN: Luke 5:18-25 (NIV)

“Christ has freed us so that we may enjoy the benefits of freedom. So be firm in this freedom, and don’t become slaves again.” Galatians 5:1 (GW)

3. FORGIVE THOSE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR DIGNITY.

“At the moment of their sin, their eyes were opened, and they suddenly felt shame at their nakedness. So they strung fig leaves together to cover themselves up.” Genesis 3:7 (NLT)

THE WOMAN CAUGHT IN ADULTERY: *John 8:3-11 (NIV)*

“There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus!” Romans 8:1

MATTHEW’S TESTIMONY: *Matthew 9:9-10 (NLT)*

“He rekindles burned-out lives with fresh hope, restoring dignity and respect to their lives...” 1 Samuel 2:8 (MSG)

“With God’s power working in us, God can do much, much more than anything we can ask or imagine.” Ephesians 3:20 (NCV)

WHAT JESUS DID FOR US ON THE CROSS

“Jesus was wounded for the wrong we did; he was crushed for the evil we did. The punishment, which made us well, was given to him, and we are healed because of his wounds.” Isaiah 53:5 (NCV)

“He used his servant body to carry our sins to the Cross so we could be rid of sin, free to live the right way. His wounds became your healing.” 1 Peter 2:24 (MSG)

I WILL GET BACK UP BY...

- Memorizing *Isaiah 53:5*.
- Accepting that without Christ I am totally lost.
- Living in the health, freedom, and dignity I find in Jesus.
- Giving my life to Jesus as Savior and Lord, for the first time.

WALK THE TALK ***A Growth Group Guide***

1. Have you ever been lost somewhere? What did it feel like?
2. In your mind, what does it mean to be spiritually lost? How would you define that condition?
3. Of all the stories that come to your mind about Jesus and people in real human need, which one is your favorite (it can be one from the outline, but not necessarily)? Why do you think you like it so much?
4. Why do you think it is important to see Jesus as more than just someone who saves us from our personal sins? Why must we see him in a broader context of being our Savior (healer of our bodies, freer of our addictions, and even restorer of creation)?
5. Choose the most helpful Scripture in the outline above, outside of the stories, and explain to us why it is the most meaningful to you right now.