

Series: "THE LOST CAUSE"
Part 1: "WHAT MATTERS MOST"
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Three reasons we're called to live for The Lost Cause

1. The Lost Cause is God's _____.

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

John 3:16-17 (NIV)

⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8 (NIV)

➤ **Ask God to break your _____ for the _____.**

2. The Lost Cause is Jesus' _____.

¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Luke 19:10 (NIV)

⁴ "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' ⁷ I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

Luke 15:4-7 (NIV)

➤ **Ask God to open your _____ to the _____.**

3. The Lost Cause is our _____.

¹⁹ "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."

Matthew 4:19 (NIV)

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:17-20 (NIV)

➤ **Embrace it and be _____.**

Success in the Lost Cause isn't defined by _____, success is marked by _____.

Sermon Notes
