

HOW MUCH YOU MATTER TO GOD

The Miracle of Mercy – Part 5

Titus 3:5 “Jesus saved us, not because of the good things we did, but BECAUSE OF HIS MERCY. He washed away our sins and gave us a new life through the Holy Spirit.”

Luke 19:10 Jesus: “I have come to SEEK and to SAVE those who are LOST.”

Lost implies _____.

WHAT DO I LOSE WHEN I’M SPIRITUALLY “LOST”?

1. I LOSE _____.

Isaiah 53:6 “All of us have strayed away just like lost sheep. We’ve all left God’s path to follow our own ways.”

2. I LOSE _____.

Zechariah 10:2 “My people are wandering like lost sheep, without a shepherd to protect and guide them.”

3. I LOSE _____.

1 Corinthians 2:9 “No one has ever seen or heard or even imagined the wonderful things God has prepared and arranged for those who love him.”

4. I LOSE _____.

Luke 15:14 “The younger son wasted all he’d been given and eventually he became miserable and lonely.”

5. I LOSE _____.

Luke 9:25 “What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, if he loses his soul?”

I don’t lose _____!

HOW DOES GOD’S MERCY “SAVE” ME?

1. SALVATION RESCUES ME _____.

1 Timothy 2:5 “Jesus is the only one who can bring us to God. He became a human and gave himself to rescue all of us.”

Psalm 50:15 “Trust me in your times of trouble, and I will rescue you, and you will give me glory.”

2. SALVATION RECOVERS _____.

Matthew 11:28 Jesus said, “Come to me, all you who are weary and worn out from carrying too much. Learn to trust and rest in me and you’ll recover your life.”

Joel 2:25 “I will give you back what you lost in the years when the locusts ate all your crops.”

3. SALVATION RECONNECTS _____.

2 Corinthians 5:17-18 (CEV) “Anyone who connects to Christ becomes a new person. The past is forgotten, and everything becomes new. God has done it all! He sent Christ to make peace between himself and us.”

HOW DO I CONNECT WITH GOD’S MERCY?

1. GET FED UP _____.

Luke 15:13-17 “...he wasted it all...he had nothing left...he got desperate and hungry...then he finally came to his senses...”

Jeremiah 29:13 (Mes) GOD: “You’ll find me when you get serious about finding me and want it more than anything else.”

2. OWN UP _____.

Luke 15:17-18 “When he came to his senses, he said . . . ‘I have sinned against God and you . . .’”

3. OFFER UP _____.

Luke 15:12 “The son drifted away saying “GIVE ME MY share . . .”

Luke 15:19 “He returned to the Father saying “MAKE ME a servant.”

Luke 15:20 “While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; HE RAN OUT to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.”

2 Corinthians 6:2 “Right now God is ready to welcome you. Today he’s ready to save you.”

John 3:16 “God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, so that whoever believes in him may not be lost, but have eternal life.”