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BIBLE TALK

Question: What can I expect if lost?

Answer: Nothing positive! Everyone should read the story of the rich man and Lazarus (Lk. 16:19-31). The rich man suffered the same as what we will if lost. Please note the following expectations if lost:

1. *I will be lost forever!* The wicked suffer "eternal punishment," (Matt. 25:46). There will be no purgatory or a second chance.
2. *I will suffer a double loss!* (Rev. 22:18-19). I will lose the joy, peace, blessings, life and fellowship with saints, angels, the Father and the Son in heaven. I will suffer torment, misery, despair, remorse, guilt and separation in hell!
3. *I will not be alone!* For an eternity, I will live with the repulsive population of hell: Satan, his impish angels, the immoral, dishonest, cruel, vile, reprobates and hypocrites (Rev. 21:8). Even worse, I will carry someone with me! If I am lost it could cost the eternal happiness of my mate, children, parents...!
4. *It will be my fault!* God does not wish me to perish (2 Pet. 3:9). He gave His only Son to die for me that I may not perish (Jn. 3:16). Christ gave His life to save me (Titus 2:14). The Holy Spirit bids me come and be saved (Rev. 22:17). Angels in heaven anxiously await to rejoice at my salvation (Lk. 15:10). The church of Christ pleads for me to flee to safety (Rev. 22:17). Those who are lost, warn others to not come where they are (Lk. 16:28). I alone will be responsible if lost!

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