

"lost things" that were found.

The Lost Sheep—Draw outline or pin on the board the form of a lamb. Describe the little stray lamb—the good shepherd missing it, seeking, finding, carrying in his bosom, rejoicing. Tell the parable. "We all like sheep have gone astray." Who is our shepherd? Picture the joy in the Heavenly Fold when the "lost sheep" is brought home. "Little deeds of kindness" to a wandering soul blessed of God, may lead it back to Jesus' fold.

The Lost Coin—Show a piece of silver money. (The lost coin was a silver penny worth about 18 cents.) Tell the parable. Picture the searching with the lighted candle in every nook and corner, the sweeping and brushing away of dust, all the seeking, then the finding and rejoicing. (Teach Golden Text.)

The sheep wandered away from the shepherd, but the lost coin was still in the owner's house, but hidden by dust; was lost and of no use to the owner, till found. Sometimes people get covered up with the "dust of the world"—cares, pleasures,

friends. God has to use the brush of trouble perhaps in order to find us for His use again. It would be harder to find the coin the longer it was left. More and more dust (cares, etc.), would cover it. The cracks and corners (sins) would get bigger. It is easier for God to find young people than those who are older and more covered with "dust," and who have fallen into "cracks and corners." "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

Lost Little Girls and Boys—Tell a story about a little lost child in the streets of a big city or in the woods. Describe the grief of the parents, the searching, the finding, the joy!

Jesus is looking for the little lambs of His flock. He wants you all in His fold. You are more precious to Him than silver or gold.

Practical Thoughts—Jesus is looking for me, waiting to carry me in His bosom, longing to see me "shining for Him." Some of Jesus' friends are searching for me too, my parents, Sabbath School teacher, my minister, are all trying to find me for Jesus.

Hymn 553, Book of Praise.

BLACKBOARD REVIEW

LOST — FOUND

The two words, as printed above, carry their own lessons. Let the review be simply the enforcing of the lessons. We are amongst the elemental emotions—despair, love, joy.

"Lost." The awfulness of it! Bring out from the parables and have the scholars read together such passages as Isa. 53: 6; Rom. 7: 18-24; Eph. 2: 1, 3; Rom. 6: 23. Be careful to impress the sad estate and the helplessness of the sinner.

Then turn to the bright side of the shield. "Found." For the shepherd's love in searching, give such passages as John 3: 16; Phil. 2: 6-8; Isa. 53: 4-6, and for the joy in heaven, such as Luke 2: 13, 14; Rev. 12: 10, 11, and first clause of v. 12.

Why can we resist such love? How, refuse to add to heaven's joy?