

Matthew 18:11

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.

Analysis

This text illustrates key Reformed principles: sola Scriptura, sola gratia, and sola fide. The passage demonstrates how God's Word speaks authoritatively to human need, revealing both our depravity and God's merciful provision through Christ.

Historical Context

The historical setting involved complex religious and political dynamics. Jewish leaders maintained authority through Roman tolerance while common people sought deliverance. Jesus' teaching addressed both immediate concerns and eternal truths.

Related Passages

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How does this verse deepen your appreciation for Christ?
2. What false beliefs or practices does this text correct?
3. How should you share this truth with others?

Interlinear Text

ἦλθεν	γὰρ	τὸ	υἱὸς	τὸ	ἀνθρώπου	σῶσαι
is come	For	that which	the Son	that which	of man	to save
G2064	G1063	G3588	G5207	G3588	G444	G4982
τὸ	ἀπολωλός					
that which	was lost					
G3588	G622					

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