

1 Sam. 4:22

1. Setting - Story of Ark of Cov.

2. Spiritual Application

(a) Revival come to close, need not end. Our hearts been warmed & moved, felt God's presence & glory in our hearts. But some people let fires burn low & become cold, follow after the world again, lose interest in lost souls in words of scripture, glory has departed. Does this need happen? No

How can we keep the glory?

How .. .. from backsliding

Prov. 14:14 - Speaks of black soldier  
in heart, being filled with his own way - Lost interest in God's way settles down in old rut of disinterest. Filled with his own stubbornness his self with his own envy, spite, hate, bitterness, anger, & malice. We can't keep warmed up & on fire for God with any of

These things in our hearts.

Here are some of the symptoms of backsliding - a loss of interest in prayer. All backsliding begins with that, letting other things crowd out your prayer life. "I'll pray tomorrow, just can't take time today." Brother the devil has won a victory over you right there. If you are too busy to pray, you are too busy. In this day of hustle & bustle if we aren't careful we will be hustled right out of spirituality.

Joseph & Mary lost Jesus right in the Temple. Mary most unlikely person to lose Him as He was to her what He could not be to any other person yet she lost Him & didn't know it.

When Sampson flurled with the world he lost God & he knew not that the Lord had departed from him. Altho the danger of losing God out of our life. It should be our greatest concern to keep him.

Another thing we need to

sad part the glory of the Lord departed  
~~the~~ Saul was chosen King by God  
He prospered & increased in power & influence  
as long as he obeyed God. One day he  
disobeyed God he said, No one will know  
it won't hurt just this once but God  
knew & the glory of God departed from  
him & he died in disgrace.

Maybe you say no one will  
know if I leave off my Bible reading  
& secret prayer but God will know  
& the glory will depart from your  
life & folks can soon tell, you  
lose your testimony & influence.