Religious Games "Hide and Seek"

Introduction: 1. Probably all of us have played the game "Hide n' Seek" when we were children as well as since we have been adults.

- 2. The point of this lesson this morning is to demonstrate that the mechanics of this game are played out every day in the spiritual realm as well.
- 3. Let's examine the similarities together.

I. You Cannot Successfully Hide From God

- A. Sooner or later, He'll find you.
- B. (Genesis 3:8-9).
- C. (Hebrews 4:13).
- D. Think how foolish we must look to God as we desperately try to hide our sins and cover our tracks.

II. Sometimes God Takes His Turn And Hides From Us

- A. Have you ever been in circumstances where you wondered where God was?
- B. Such moments are discomforting, but we do learn from them.
- C. (Job 1).
- D. (Psalm 46:10).
- E. (James 1:3-4).

III. God Will Always Seek After Us When He Hide

- A. (Luke 15:4-7).
- B. God doesn't just want the world, he wants you.
- C. (Matthew 10:29-31).
- D. The message of the book of Hosea.

IV. Once Found, We Too Become Seekers

- A. (2 Corinthians 12:14).
- B. (Luke 14:23).
- Conclusion: 1. Next time you see children playing "Hide n' Seek" take just a moment to reflect on your life and determine what role you're playing in this game.
 - 2. Are you trying to hide from God?
 - 3. Or have you been found, and become a part of God's team?