

## “Finders Seekers, Losers Weepers”

### Seekers

1. Initiate
2. Have a goal
3. Are filled with desire
4. Overcome problems
5. Win more than they lose

### Sitters

1. Wait
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### What Determines Whether I Seek or Sit?

1. Timing has little influence on whether I am a seeker or a sitter.

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2. Position has little influence on whether I am a seeker or a sitter.

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3. Knowledge has little influence on whether I am a seeker or a sitter.

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- Prophecy — but that didn't help them find Jesus;
- Place — but that didn't help them find Jesus.

## The Difference Between Seekers and Sitters?

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Sitters have all the answers.

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2. Seekers move.

Sitters wait.

“(Herod) sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find Him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship Him.” - Matthew 2:8

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3. Seekers discover.

Sitters worry.

“When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him.”

- Matthew 2:3

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### The Law of Opportunities:

*Opportunities increase or decrease by how we handled the last one.*

4. Seekers find what they search for.

Sitters miss the best and wonder why.

“On coming to the house, they saw the child with His mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped Him. Then they opened their treasures and presented Him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.” - Matthew 2:11

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