

The Lost Sheep

Luke 15:1-7

Big Idea : Jesus told a parable about a man finding his lost sheep to teach that God rejoices over every sinner who repents.

Aim : To teach that God rejoices whenever someone is saved and that we should be happy with him.

Lost and found

We can guess some things about the owner, but we can't know everything until they come and find the item and take it home. Explain that you are starting a series today on three stories Jesus told about lost things - on how they can be found and who finds them.

Reasons to rejoice















Reasons to rejoice

Today's true story from the Bible is about
a man who threw a big party because of
something that had made him very
happy

Intra

https://youtu.be/n6dnCD_5sZA

Read

































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Tax collectors and sinners were all gathering round to hear Jesus. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, 'This man welcomes sinners, and eats with them.'



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Then Jesus told them this parable about a shepherd:



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'Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep...



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'... and loses one of them.



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'Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country...



7 ' ... and begins
searching for the one
that is lost?



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11 'And when he finds it...



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- 13 ‘..he joyfully puts it on his shoulder...



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- 14 ‘... and goes home.



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- 15 ‘Then he calls his friends and neighbours together and says, “Rejoice with me! I have found my lost sheep.”



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- 16 ‘I tell you,’ Jesus concluded, ‘that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who do not need to repent.’



Watch

<https://youtu.be/2LPWcVpVqyM>

Sheep hunt

Remind the children that when the man found his lost sheep all his friends and neighbours were happy too and they celebrated together. God is happy, just like the man, whenever someone turns to Jesus and trusts in him. We should be happy too and celebrate with God.

Apples

<https://youtu.be/s-y60ifTHtM>

Memory verse

Recap



<https://youtu.be/UqVYdA5mvTY>

Learn



<https://youtu.be/SLISGZhdrVM>

Pray

Dear Heavenly Father

**Thank you are our Good Shepherd who does not
give up looking for His sheep.**

**Thank you that you came looking for each one of us
and rescued us from our sin, by sending your One
and Only Son to die on a cross for our sins. Please
would you help us to share this good news with
others and will you help us to rejoice when people
are saved.**

**Please help us to remember that everyone is lost
until you find them. Help us to direct people to you.**

Amen

Top secret

Please ask your child to bring with them on Sunday an item from home that is special to them, that means something to them or that they use often

On Sunday give the item to me without anyone else seeing it - it will go into a bag and we are going to go through them together as a group and the other children will need to guess who the item belongs to. It will form part of our lesson for Sunday