

United with Families

March 13, 2022

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

Luke 15:1-7 (Matthew 18:10-14)

Bible Verse "Count on it—there's more joy in heaven over one sinner's rescued life than over ninety-nine good people in no need of rescue". Luke 15:7

The Story: Among the people who came to listen to Jesus were those who were shunned by most religious leaders because of their behaviour. The leaders of the church judged Jesus saying, 'He even eats with sinners.' Jesus told them a story. When a shepherd who has one hundred sheep notices that one is missing, he will leave the other ninety-nine alone to go and look for the lost sheep. He will search everywhere until he finds that one sheep. When he finds the lost sheep, he is very happy and carries the sheep home. He calls to his friends and neighbours and says, 'Let's celebrate, because I found my lost sheep'. Like the shepherd, know that God cares for everyone and rejoices when those who are lost their way have found God again.

Story Video: <https://youtu.be/hXLt3JjdmgI> The Parable of the Lost Sheep Aug 27, 2014

Talk about: Have you ever been lost or perhaps you lost something and then later you or the item was found safe? What did you feel when you thought when you, or the item was lost? When you or it was later found what happened? What are ways that you can stay connected to God and to Jesus?

Music Videos: https://youtu.be/SSyHow_RK7A I've Lost My Sheep Nov 14, 2012
https://youtu.be/qak_45mnZEO The Lord is my shepherd for kids Mar 1, 2015

God Sightings: Think of all the wonderful things you can see; things created by God- our families you, me, stars, sun, moon, animals, birds, and everything! We are looking at ways we see what God is doing or has done all around you. A God Sighting might be a hug or a beautiful sunrise or sunset.

You can be a God Sighting by being kind to others. My God Sighting: _____

Faith and Prayer: Loving Jesus, we thank You for coming to find us when we're lost. Help us stay close to You and to follow You as our good shepherd. Amen.

For Youth (grade 6 and up)

Talk about: Jesus was judged by the Pharisees for the eating with sinners. Have you ever been told that you will be judged by the company that you keep? How do you keep God in your heart and actions when you are with those who would do things that you know are wrong? What do you say to those that you think are leading you astray?

Music Video: <https://youtu.be/Ommn6Z5hhjl> Parable of the Lost Sheep Jun 15, 2011
<https://youtu.be/X4GmLRTJq1w> The Lost Get Found- Britt Nicole May 8, 2009