

# THE LOST & FOUND



Luke 15:1-7



Luke 15:8-10



Luke 15:11-32

SEEKING THE

LOST





# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## CONTRASTING THE ATTITUDE OF THE PHARISEES & JESUS TOWARD SINNERS

MATTHEW 9:10-13 (NKJV)

<sup>10</sup> Now it happened, as Jesus sat at the table in the house, that behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Him and His disciples. <sup>11</sup> And when the Pharisees saw it, they said to His disciples, “Why does your Teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”



Jesus At Matthew's House

# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## CONTRASTING THE ATTITUDE OF THE PHARISEES & JESUS TOWARD SINNERS

MATTHEW 9:10-13 (NKJV)

<sup>12</sup> When Jesus heard that, He said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup> But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy and not sacrifice.’ For I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.” —

Cf. Mk 2:15–17; Lk 5:29–32

Jesus At Matthew's House





# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## CONTRASTING THE ATTITUDE OF THE PHARISEES & JESUS TOWARD SINNERS

### LUKE 7:34,39 (NKJV)

<sup>34</sup> The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Look, a glutton and a winebibber, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ ... <sup>39</sup> Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, “This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner.”



Jesus Follows With The Parable of The Two Debtors



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## CONTRASTING THE ATTITUDE OF THE PHARISEES & JESUS TOWARD SINNERS

Luke 15:1–2 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup> Then all the tax collectors and the sinners drew near to Him to hear Him. <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying, “This Man receives sinners and eats with them.”

“Why do You eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?”



Jesus responds with a parabolic triptych . . .



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## CONTRASTING THE ATTITUDE OF THE PHARISEES & JESUS TOWARD SINNERS

Jesus responds with a parabolic triptych . . .

"SHEEP"



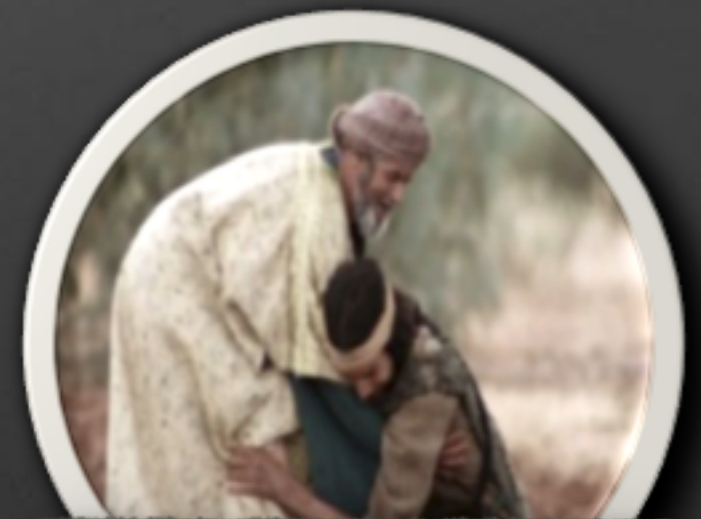
Luke 15:1-7

"COIN"



Luke 15:8-10

"SON"



Luke 15:11-32



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP



- What do shepherds do when a lamb goes astray? (Luke 15:4)
- How does the shepherd react when the lost sheep is found? (Luke 15:5,6)
- What does the shepherd's reaction indicate about the value of the sheep that was lost and found?



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP



LUKE 15:7 (NKJV)

<sup>7</sup> I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND COIN



Luke 15:8-10

Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one



- She placed great value on each coin – (days wage, wedding headdress - She knew what she had or she would not have known one was missing)
- Demonstrated in her diligent search for the one that was lost — (Luke 15:8)
- Rejoiced when she found it! — (Luke 15:9)



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND COIN



Luke 15:8-10

Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one



LUKE 15:9-10 (NKJV)  
<sup>9</sup> And when she has found it, she calls her friends and neighbors together, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I lost!'  
<sup>10</sup> Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND SON



Luke 15:11-32

- The prodigal son made a conscious decision to leave home and waste his inheritance on sinful pleasure – (Luke 15:11-13)
- The wayward son came to realize the high cost of sin - (Luke 15:14-16)
- He came to realize he would be MUCH better off going home - (Luke 15:17-19)



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND SON



Luke 15:11-32

- The LOST son made the decision to swallow his pride and return home — *(What did he expect if he returned? What was he willing to accept?)* - (Luke 15:18,19)
- The son arose and went home - (Luke 15:20)
- The FATHER's response: He saw ... ran ... embraced ... kissed - (Luke 15:20)



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND SON



Luke 15:11-32

- The son's confession (*I have sinned,,, not worthy to be called your son ... make me a hired servant*) - Luke 15:21
- The FATHER gladly receives the son and adorns him with with a robe ... a ring ... and sandals - (Luke 15:22)
- The FATHER has a feast prepared that they may celebrate - (Luke 15:23)



THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND SON



LUKE 15:24 (NKJV)  
24 for this my son  
was dead and is  
alive again; he was  
lost and is found.'  
And they began to  
be merry.

Luke 15:11-32



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND SON



- The ANGER of the older son  
- He would not go in —  
(Luke 15:25-28)
- The FATHER goes out and  
pleads with the older son -  
(Luke 15:28)
- The son makes his case  
that the younger son  
should not be treated so  
well - (Luke 15:29-30)

Luke 15:11-32



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOST & FOUND SON

LUKE 15:31-32 (NKJV)

<sup>31</sup> “And he said to him,  
‘Son, you are always with  
me, and all that I have is  
yours. <sup>32</sup> It was right that  
we should make merry and  
be glad, for your brother  
was dead and is alive again,  
and was lost and is  
found.’”



Luke 15:11-32



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## FOUR TYPES OF LOST SINNERS



- LOST SHEEP - was lost, knew it was lost, did not know the way home (*had to be led home*)



- LOST COIN - was lost, did not know it was lost, did not know the way home (*had to be found*)



- LOST SON - was lost, knew he was lost, knew the way home (*had to decide*)

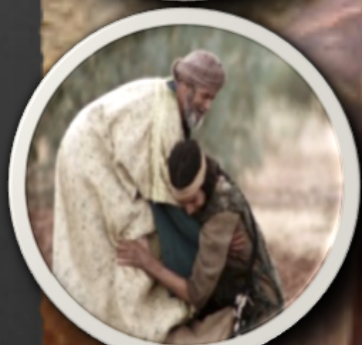


- ELDER BROTHER - was lost, did not know he was lost (*needed to learn of his condition*)



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## THE LOSTNESS OF THE LOST



- Sinners NEVER lose their VALUE – Mat. 16:26
- They lose their way -
- They lose their usefulness –
- They lose their relationship with God, His children & their blessedness -
- They lose their souls -



# THE LOST & FOUND SHEEP, COIN & SON

## IMPORTANT LESSONS



- The State of The Lost - Eph 2:12; 1 Thes 4:13
- The Love God Has For The Lost – Jn 3:16; Rom 5:8-10; 2 Cor 5:19-21
- The Rejoicing In Heaven For The Penitent – vs 7,10
- The Value of The Lost – Mat 18:14; 1 Pet 1:18-21
- Our Attitude Toward The Lost - vs 32; Ro 9:1-5; 10:1



# JOHN 4:34-36 (NKJV)

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work. <sup>35</sup> Do you not say, ‘There are still four months and then comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! <sup>36</sup> And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.





# DO YOU SEE YOURSELF IN THESE PARABLES?

The Shepherd?

The Woman?

The Loving Father?

The Lost Sheep?

The Lost Coin?

The Lost Son?

The Eldest Son?

**Are we The Salt of  
The Earth  
And Light of The  
World?**

**Mat. 5:13-16**







# THE LOST & FOUND



Luke 15:1-7



Luke 15:8-10



Luke 15:11-32

## SEEKING THE



Prepared Nov. 4,5, 2016; Preached Nov. 6, 2016

West 65th Street church of Christ / P.O. Box 190062, Little Rock AR 72219 /

501-568-1062 / Prepared using Keynote /

Email – [donmcclain@sbcglobal.net](mailto:donmcclain@sbcglobal.net)

More Keynote, PPT & Audio Sermons: / <http://w65stchurchofchrist.org/coc/sermons/>



# MARK 2:13-17 (NKJV)

<sup>13</sup> Then He went out again by the sea; and all the multitude came to Him, and He taught them. <sup>14</sup> As He passed by, He saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax office. And He said to him, “Follow Me.” So he arose and followed Him. <sup>15</sup> Now it happened, as He was dining in Levi’s house, that many tax collectors and sinners also sat together with Jesus and His disciples; for there were many, and they followed Him.



# MARK 2:13-17 (NKJV)

<sup>16</sup> And when the scribes and Pharisees saw Him eating with the tax collectors and sinners, they said to His disciples, “How is it that He eats and drinks with tax collectors and sinners?” <sup>17</sup> When Jesus heard it, He said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.”