

Part 52: When Heaven Celebrates!

**Text:** Luke 15:1-10

1. Fill in the blanks for the main point – Heaven over every  sinner that  2. Read Luke 15:1-3. What is significant about Jesus welcoming tax collectors and sinners?	
	a. Why are the Pharisees and scribes so upset by Jesus' actions?
	b. Who are the following 2 parables addressed to?
	c. How have you noticed your "inner-Pharisee" come out lately? Why must I work at detecting this?
	d. What can you do to make unchurched/worldly people feel welcomed and not condemned in your presence?
3. R	ead <b>Luke 15:3-10</b> . How is God like the owners (man and woman) in these parables?
	a. Why are we lost without Jesus? Consider Matthew 9:36 and 1 Peter 2:25.
	b. What is significant about the man leaving the 99 to search for the 1 lost sheep?

	c. How are we like the lost coin apart from Jesus? Consider <b>Ephesians 2:1</b> and <b>Colossians 2:13-14.</b>
	d. What is significant about the sinner "repenting" upon being found by God?
	e. Is repenting a "work" that we do to earn our salvation? Consider <b>Ephesians 2:8-9, 2 Timothy 2:24- 25,</b> and <b>Acts 26:17-18</b> .
4. Wh	at do we learn about the heart of God through this parable?
	a. How is your heart like God's regarding modern day "tax collectors" and "sinners"?
	b. How is your heart unlike God's in this regard?
	c. How will these parables help you become more like God toward sinners?
5. Nar	me 2 people that you believe God wants you to help receive Jesus.
	a. What are some next steps you can take with these precious souls?
	b. What will focusing on Heaven's celebration over 1 sinner repenting motivate you to reach out?