

**Sermon Title:** Purpose  
**Sermon Series:** Who We Are 101  
**Scripture:** Luke 15:1-7  
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## *Evangelize*

**Why would a Christian \_\_\_\_\_ their faith?**

True, transforming \_\_\_\_\_ can be found now that lasts forever.

There is a real \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and everyone spends forever somewhere.

Jesus says what you decide about Him determines what \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ you will have.

What life and eternity you have is not determined by how \_\_\_\_\_ you are but by who or what you \_\_\_\_\_ in.

*“People who are \_\_\_\_\_ from God, \_\_\_\_\_ to God” —David Whiting*

### **Luke 15:1 ESV**

*Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him.*

### **Luke 15:2 ESV**

*And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”*

### **Luke 15:3-4 ESV**

*3 So he told them this parable: 4 “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it?”*

**John 12:47-48 ESV**

47 If anyone hears my words and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. 48 The one who rejects me and does not receive my words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day.

Jesus doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ of their sin, nor, while they are alive, does he ultimately \_\_\_\_\_ them in it. He comes to \_\_\_\_\_ them from it.

**Titus 2:14 ESV**

14 who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

**Luke 15:5-7 ESV**

5 And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' 7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

**Luke 15:25 ESV**

25 "Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing.

People \_\_\_\_\_ from God \_\_\_\_\_ to God. They must \_\_\_\_\_ to us. —David Whiting

**Problem = Don't Care and Share****2 Corinthians 5:11 ESV**

11 Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience.

**Colossians 4:2-6 ESV**

*2 Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. 3 At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison— 4 that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.*

*5 Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. 6 Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.*

**Pi2 = Pray, Invest, Invite**

Pray

Invest

Invite

**Christ \_\_\_\_\_ for our sins and \_\_\_\_\_ from the dead.**

*People far from God matter to God. They must matter to us. —David Whiting*

**Acts 20:24 ESV**

*24 But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.*