

LIFEWork for the week starting September 5, 2021

The Lost - Luke 15:1-10

PRAY - STUDY - SHARE

- 1. After praying please go around and share some highs and lows, especially with the lens of what is God up to in your life. And then share insights, questions, or challenges raised in the message.
- 2. Read the entire section once again, Luke 15:1-10
- 3. Imagine the crowds coming to be with, witness, listen to Jesus. Discuss who is in these crowds and why they're there.
- 4. How did the Pharisees and scribes respond in regard to those who drew near to Jesus? Discuss this concept in regards to these religious leaders: What if you were an accountant or an IRS agent and suddenly they changed the tax code to "everyone pays 10% of all money that they receive by any source".
- 5. In that culture, eating with a person indicated acceptance and recognition. How would it be perceived today if you invited into your home a known drug trafficker or "madam"? I knew one pastor who regularly went into the pornography shop to interact with the owner and clientele. What are the dangers of such activity? How can we be like Jesus today without endangering ourselves AND not be like the Pharisees?
- 6. Read Luke 5:27-31 and then compare Jesus' statement there with his parable and comments about the ninety-nine sheep.
- 7. Compare the response of the woman with the response of the shepherd. How are they similar and different?
- 8. Read carefully from both parables regarding the reaction in heaven. Discuss again, as Pastor illustrated, that this is NOT just about conversion and how this applies to you personally.

THE PARABLES OF JESUS

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Lost Stuff-Loving Fathers-Prodigal Mothers

Luke 15:8-10

September 5, 2021 - Pastor D. R. Hilken

Luke 15 Context

Sinners

- 1. Tax collectors
- 2. Other
- 3. **RELIGIOUS** terrorists

Jesus' crime: Hospitality → Fellowship

Jesus' rebuttal: Souls over THINGS

- Lost Sheep (vss 3-7)
 Repentance: A <u>SHEPHERD'S</u> perspective.
- Lost Coin (vss 8-10)
 The value of WOMEN to Jesus in Luke

"In God we Trust"

Who's **SEARCHING** for Whom?

REPENTANCE not just conversion

3. Lost Son (vss 11-32)

Another "sinners" redemption story