

## **A. SERMON POINTS**

- 1) A Short Story: On Being Lost and Found  
Luke 15:1-7
- 2) We get lost and found in diverse ways
- 3) Sheep Always Need a Shepherd
- 4) We are saved by sheer grace
- 5) The power wasn't in Jesus' teaching. The power was in the teacher.
- 6) The only ones who could be saved by the shepherd were the ones who knew they were sheep.
- 7) The common forging experience of being lost and found creates a Gospel community.
- 8) The Shepherd is sovereign in power over us. But He gave everything to save us.
- 9) It is true that I am "sheep" and He is Shepherd, but also that he became what I am, so that I could be like Him!

## **B. GROUP DISCUSSION**

- 1) Read the parable of the lost sheep. What are some of the general applications for you? How important is it to know why Jesus shared this parable?
- 2) In what way were you lost, and how were you found?
- 3) Explain the difference between being a dog or horse, compared to a sheep when it comes to our salvation, and our relationship with our Master?
- 4) How can we ensure that our community is forged by the Gospel and not something else? What would that community look like?
- 5) Explain why it is also important to note the cost that was exacted from God in order to rescue us. How does an identity formed in the Gospel create extreme humility, and extreme self-assurance?
- 6) Prayer and praise