



“These words were evidently spoken with surprise and scorn, and not with pleasure and admiration. These ignorant guides of the Jews could not understand a teacher of religion having anything to do with wicked people! Yet their words worked for good. The very saying which was meant for reproach was adopted by the Lord Jesus as a true description of His office.” – J.C. Ryle

**“It is the most counterintuitive aspect of Christianity, that we are declared right with God not once we begin to get our act together, but once we collapse into honest acknowledgment that we never will.”
– Dane Ortland**

“Even more emphatically, what Jesus is saying is this: if even a human shepherd will leave behind the 99 to find just one sheep that was lost, how much more will the great shepherd do to reclaim the lost sinner? And how much greater will be his joy?” – William Hendricksen

“He [Christ] is far more willing to save sinners than sinners are to be saved.” – J.C. Ryle

“For this end he came into the world. He came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance. He came into the world to save

sinners. What he was upon earth, he is now at the right hand of God, and will be to all eternity. He is emphatically the sinner's friend."

– J.C. Ryle

"You don't have to know a lot of things in order to make a huge difference for the Lord, in the world. But you do need to know a few things that are great and be willing to live for them and die for them"

– John Piper