

Journal Page

Write what you might say to someone who is lost—someone who doesn't know Jesus. If you haven't trusted Jesus as Lord, list questions you have.



FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- How does Jesus feel about the lost—people who don't know Him?
- How do you feel about people who don't know Jesus?
- How can you show love to people who are lost?

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Three Parables

Luke 15

MAIN POINT: JESUS IS THE ONE WHO SEEKS AND SAVES THE LOST.

Tax collectors and sinners came to listen to Jesus teach. The religious leaders complained because Jesus welcomed sinners, so Jesus told them three parables to teach them about God.

Jesus said, "If a man has 100 sheep and loses one, what does he do? He leaves the 99 sheep in the open field and searches for the lost sheep until he finds it. Then he tells his friends, 'Let's celebrate! I found my lost sheep!'"

Then Jesus said, "This is what heaven is like."

Jesus said, "If a woman has 10 silver coins and loses one of them, she lights a lamp, sweeps the house, and searches carefully until she finds it! Then she tells her friends, 'Let's celebrate! I found my lost coin!'"

Then Jesus said, "This is what heaven is like."

Finally, Jesus said, "A man had two sons. The younger son said, 'Father, give me my inheritance today.' The younger son left home. He wasted his money and lived foolishly."

"The younger son made a plan. He would go back to his father and admit he was wrong. So the younger son headed home. His father ran to him, threw his arms around him, and kissed him."

The father told his servants, 'Let's celebrate! This son of mine was lost, and now he is found!'

"At this time, the older son came from the fields and heard music at the house. The older brother was angry! The father asked him to come inside. 'Look!' the older brother said. 'I never disobeyed you! But you never threw a party for me.'"

"Son,' the father said, 'everything I have is yours. We have to celebrate and be happy. Your brother was lost and is found.'"

Christ Connection: The religious leaders complained that Jesus welcomed sinners.

Jesus told these parables to teach about God's forgiveness. God sent Jesus so sinners can be forgiven. As Savior, Jesus seeks sinners. He paid the ultimate price—His own life—to save people from sin.

Find and circle 5 sheep, 10 silver coins, and 2 sons.



Write a short description of how each person felt at the end of the parable of the lost son.

