

Relentless Love

Luke 15:1-7

MAIN IDEAS

- People draw near to Jesus
- Sheep need a shepherd
- The Shepherd loves the sheep and rejoices over them

What kinds of people came to Jesus in Luke 15:1-2? How were they similar? How were they different?

Can the lost sheep in verse 4 find its way back on its own? Why or why not?

Why does the shepherd leave the ninety-nine? Consider Matthew 9:10-13 and Matthew 18:12-14.

What produces more joy in heaven according to verse 7? Why?

How are we like the lost sheep, according to Psalm 100:3 and Isaiah 53:6?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Are you lost? How so?

Are you found? How so?

Read John 10:2-4. How do you recognize the voice of your Shepherd?

Seek the voice of Jesus through God's Word and prayer. Follow his voice.

Pray:

- If you are lost, make Psalm 119:176 your prayer.
- If you are found, make Psalm 23:1-6 your prayer.
- Thank God for His love for you and His rejoicing over you.

GROUP RESPONSE

If we love Jesus, what are we supposed to do with His sheep, according to John 21:15-17? Why?

How can your group care for each other?

How can your group care for the church?

Commit to serving one another and blessing the church in the upcoming weeks or months.

REPRODUCE

Who do you know that is lost and does not hear Jesus' voice? If you don't know any, where can you go to find one?

What is our responsibility to the lost? See Romans 10:13-15 and 1 Corinthians 3:5-7.

Speak Jesus' words to a lost sheep this week. God may use it. They might recognize the voice of their Shepherd through yours.

KEY VERSES

From the sermon:

- Luke 14:33
- Luke 15:1-7

Additional verses from the study:

- Psalm 23:1-6
- Psalm 100:3
- Psalm 119:176
- Isaiah 53:6
- Matthew 9:10-13
- Matthew 18:12-14
- John 10:2-4
- John 21:15-17
- Romans 10:13-15
- 1 Corinthians 3:5-7