

## *The Lost Sheep & Coin* – Luke 15:1-10

**INTRODUCTION:** 1 parable in 3 parts ... 15:3

15:1-2 – The REASON for the parable ... 14:25a

- 2 GROUPS – 15:1 - “*tax collectors & sinners*” ... 15:2 -  
“*Pharisees & Scribes*”

15:2 – God loves the lost, and so should they.

15:3-7 – Jesus is the Shepherd – John 10:11, Matthew 9:36

15:3-4 – 99 are “*saved*” ... 1 is “*lost*”.

15:4 – Jesus is interested in the INDIVIDUAL.

- Why do we call the unsaved, “*lost*”? They are without a Shepherd, and on their way to Hell.

- At 1 time, we were all “*lost*” – Isaiah 53:6, Romans 3:23

15:4 – The “*99*” were safe in the fold – Eternal security of the believer – John 10:27-28

15:4 – The Shepherd doesn’t wait for the sheep to find Him –  
Luke 19:10, Romans 3:11, 1 Peter 2:25

- Mankind has always run from God – Genesis 3:8

15:5 – This shows the compassion of the Shepherd – Mt. 11:28-29

- There’s only 1 WAY to God’s fold – John 14:6

15:6 – The pleasure God gets when a repenting sinner is saved -  
2 Peter 3:9 ... a CONTRAST to 15:2.

- Do you get excited when someone is saved? Do you get excited about telling them of the love of the Shepherd?

15:7 – The “*lost*” don’t know they’re “*lost*”! 15:2

- The Great Shepherd is searching for the “*lost*” sheep.

15:7 – There are no “*just persons*” – Luke 5:31-32

- The example of the Pharisee – Luke 18:11

**THE LOST COIN** – 15:8-10 – The lost coin won’t find itself.

15:8 – EFFORT is made to find the lost coin.

- Jesus wants us to LOOK FOR those who are “*lost*”.

- God gives us opportunities within our “*comfort zone*” ... we just need to be sensitive to them.

**CONCLUSION:**

- Do you realize the “*lost-ness*” of the “*lost*”?

- The KEY WORD is “*repent*” – 15:7, 15:10