

Sermon Application Study

October 19, 2025

Target Passages → Luke 15:1-10

1. Explain the unique social situation in which Jesus gives the parables. Why is Jesus unique as a rabbi?
2. Why does the shepherd leave the 99 sheep to find the one lost sheep?
3. Who is the lost sheep and who are the 99 according to Jesus?
4. How does the parable of the lost coin parallel the lost sheep? What additional information is given to make the lost coin parable unique?
5. What is Jesus' overall point in these two parables?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → Ezekiel 34:1-16, Romans 9:1-5

For Me →

1. Do you have heart for the lost the way Jesus describes his? Explain.
2. Do you rejoice at the thought of very sinful people coming to know Christ, even enemies and people whose behavior you find disgusting?

For the Mission →

1. When was the last time you went after a lost sheep or coin the way Jesus does?
2. What are some ways you need to change your heart toward lost and sinful people to make yourself into a more effective evangelist?

PRAYER FOCUS

Ask the Lord to give you a heart for the lost like he has. If you find yourself struggling to see lost people the way Jesus does, ask the Lord to expand your love.