



SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

"The Lost Sheep"
Luke 15:1-7

Record your insights & observations from this week's sermon.

SERMON NOTES

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) Read *Luke 15:1-2*. Why did the Pharisees and scribes grumble when Jesus was with tax collectors and sinners? Read *Luke 15:5-7*. What is the difference of attitude between the Pharisees and God when it came to the lost?
- 2) Read *Luke 15:6; Luke 19:10; Luke 5:27-31*. What was the mission of Jesus?
- 3) Read *Ezekiel 34:1-12, 23-24*. This is a prophecy about Jesus being our Shepherd. How does Jesus, like the Shepherd, pursue the lost?
- 4) Read *Luke 15:7*. What happens in Heaven when one person comes to faith in Jesus? Why is this important for us to know?
- 5) Seth said that the church should be committed to both home and mission. Home is caring for and feeding God's people. Mission is reaching the lost. Where do churches tend to spend more of their efforts? How is Christ Covenant doing in these areas? How are you doing in these areas?
- 6) Read *John 20:21*. Jesus is sending us to reach the lost. Who in your circles of influence does not know Jesus? Who is hurting? How can you reach out to them?

FOR YOUR FAMILY

- 1) Memorize *Luke 15:7*– *"I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent."*
- 2) Read *Luke 15:1-7*. Talk with your family about how Jesus' attitude and the Pharisee's attitudes were different regarding the lost. Discuss with them how Jesus is the one who searches and rescues us.
- 3) Read *Luke 19:10; John 20:21*. Talk with your family about Jesus' mission on this earth, and what our mission is. Discuss with them ideas about how to reach the lost and begin praying with them about specific people who are non-Christians.