

Luke 15:4-7 (HCSB), What man among you, who has 100 sheep and loses one of them, does not leave the 99 in the open field and go after the lost one until he finds it? When he has found it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders, and coming home, he calls his friends and neighbors together saying to them, "Rejoice with me, because I have found my lost sheep!" I tell you, in the same way, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over 99 righteous people who don't need repentance.

1. We _____ from God.

Text Box Quote: The truth about us is we are not just searchers, we are also hiders. We must own up to our tendency to hide from God.

Isaiah 53:6 (HCSB), We all went astray like sheep...

Genesis 3:8-9 (HCSB), Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and they hid themselves from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. So the Lord God called out to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"

2. We need to be _____.

Text Box Quote: The sheep in Jesus' story has only one thing going for it: the sheep knows that it is lost.

3. We get confused about being _____.

Isaiah 53:6 (HCSB), We all went astray like sheep; we all have turned to our own way; and the Lord has punished Him for the iniquity of us all.

Text Box Quote: The place where God claims lost sheep is the cross.

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