

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 15:1-7

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*THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST,
THE SON OF GOD, AND THE SON OF MAN*

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We left Off with a Challenging Invitation

from Jesus Christ Himself to Come and Be a Follower of Him.

Luke 14:35c

...He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

For Years I Have Made This Southern Journey

from Galilee down to Jerusalem, Granted it's by the comforts of a Touring Bus
and the Friendship, Fellowship and Love of those with me, but I must Tell you...

each time there has been a sense "Celebration"

on These Journeys... And That's "How Israel Had Been Brought Up."

each year, three times a year every Hebrew male was to make his way
to Jerusalem for the required feasts of the Lord.

Exodus 23:14

"Three times you shall keep a feast to Me in the year:

The First Feast was **Passover**

Exodus 12:13

The Second Feast was **Pentecost**
Leviticus 23:10 / *the feast of weeks or harvest feast*

The Third Feast was **Tabernacles**
Leviticus 23:34

What You Never Wonder About

was how do I find Jerusalem where these feasts are to be celebrated?
you just followed the crowd of **worshippers** and **pilgrims**...

Now Remember the Invitation?

Luke 14:35c
...He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

In The Crowd, Some Began to Hear Him,
and The Lights Began to Turn On!

As each one in the crowd processed Jesus' invitation
to come and be a disciple, a true, productive follower of Christ, - -
you could begin to see the stirring of the hearts and minds of the listeners...

I Had This "Reminder" this Week in My Head and Ears...
arriving in Vancouver British Columbia,
I got a rental car... "GPS" sir

"Enter The Address of Your Desired Destination:
"Route Guidance Will Start Now"
"Proceed To the Highlighted Route"

Well listen, we have evidence that someone was listening on that crowd,

"I Can Hear You Jesus, I've Got Ears!"

Luke 15:1-7

Then **all the tax collectors** and **the sinners** drew near to Him **to hear** Him. :2 And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying, “This Man **receives sinners** and **eats with them.**” :3 So He spoke this **parable** to them, saying: :4 “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and **go after the one** which is lost **until he finds it?** :5 And when he has found *it*, he lays *it* on **his** shoulders, **rejoicing.** :6 And when he comes home, he calls together *his* friends and neighbors, saying to them, “**Rejoice with me**, for I have found **my** sheep which was lost!” :7 I say to you that likewise there will be **more joy** in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.

GOD PURCHASED SINNERS

1.) So, I can know Him as my God

vs.1-2

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to complain throughout a crowd. to whine publicly, to murmur about.
to display contempt and displeasure publicly. With The Intent to Sway Others

1a.) He's the God of my soul

vs. 1

all the tax collectors and **the sinners...**

they gathered around Him when they had **heard** His
challenge to become a disciple.

These people were known by the jews as
“the people of land, or earth – they were “**spiritual**” dirt balls!

The Soul in the Bible is Your Mind

without the Lord as your shepherd, your mind will wander and stray
into areas that will destroy you...

Psalm 23:1

The LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not **want**.

the problem **poor people** have is that.
“They think they know what they want”

the problem **rich people** have is that.
“They don’t know what they want”

the problem **middle class** people have is that.
“They don’t thank God enough”

SO, I CAN KNOW HIM AS MY GOD

1b.) He’s the God of my hope

vs. 1-2

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They **drew near** to Him **to hear** Him...

“Turn Right in 300 Feet”

#1

they had heard about a life worth living

Mark 12:37

And the common people heard Him gladly.

#2

they knew that He cared – that’s a real church

John 8:11

And Jesus said to her, "Neither do I condemn you. go and sin no more."

SO, I CAN KNOW HIM AS MY GOD

1c.) He's the God of my Life

vs. 2

And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying,
"This Man **receives sinners** and **eats with them.**"
(They got that right)

"Continue 5 miles along the highlighted route"

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to intercourse with, to accommodate with hospitality, to let it.

John 10:9-10

I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. :10 The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.

GOD PURCHASED SINNERS

2.) So, He can know me as His child

vs. 3-6

:3 So He spoke this **parable** to them, saying: :4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and **go after the one** which is lost **until he finds it?** :5 And when he has found *it*, he lays *it* on **his** shoulders, **rejoicing**. :6 And when he comes home, he calls together *his* friends and neighbors, saying to them,
"**Rejoice with me**, for I have found **my** sheep which was lost!"

2a.) He's the One who comes after me

vs. 3-4

So, He spoke this **parable** to them, saying: :4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and **go after the one** which is lost **until he finds it?**

Have You Ever Seen Sheep Without a Shepherd?

A Couple a Years a Ago in En Gedi,
Ashley heard the cries of a little newborn Ibex

"The Lions Will Get It"

-amir

Matthew 9:36

But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd

SO, HE CAN KNOW ME AS HIS CHILD

2b.) He's the One who rescues me

vs. 5

:5 And when he has found it, he lays it on **his** shoulders, **rejoicing**.

John 10:9-11

I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. :10 The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly. :11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.

Dr. Ironside Story is Applied Here...

Matthew 18:11

For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost.

2c.) He's the One who rejoices over me

vs. 6

And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, "**Rejoice with me**, for I have found **my** sheep which was lost!"

"This Home Coming" to "Heaven's Reaction"

1 Timothy 1:15

This *is* a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.

GOD PURCHASED SINNERS

3.) So, we can know the love of the Father vs.7

so, I say to you that likewise there will be **more joy in heaven** over one sinner who **repents** than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.

3a.) The Father's heart is for us vs. 7

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To Israel He Said...

Matthew 10:6-7

But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. :7 And as you go, preach, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Galatians 4:4-6

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, :5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. :6 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!"

SO, WE CAN KNOW THE LOVE OF THE FATHER

3b.) The Father's house awaits us vs. 7

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"Heaven! - - It's a Real Place"

2 Peter 1:1-13

for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. :12 For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth. :13 Yes, I think it is right, as long as I am in this tent, to stir you up by reminding you,

SO WE CAN KNOW THE LOVE OF THE FATHER

3c.) The Father's help is with us

vs. 7

so I say to you that likewise there will be **more joy in heaven** over one sinner who **repents** than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.

1 Peter 1:3-5

Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, **:4** to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, **reserved in heaven** for you, **:5** who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Your Destination Is Just Ahead on The Right”

“I Can Hear You Jesus, I’ve Got
Ears!”

You Have Arrived at Your Destination”
“Route Guidance is Complete”

End of Study