

Finding the Lost



Luke 15:4-7

Parable of the lost sheep

...joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth...

Prayer Point Focus

Leader's Lesson Overview

- In the parable of the lost sheep, Jesus is telling His disciples that even those that stray are important in the Kingdom. That He seeks those that are lost.
- Explore what it means to be lost in a spiritual sense.
- In the Kingdom Kid Pledge, the last verse is:
Now I'm a Kingdom Kid and I want to share with you,
The message of His Kingdom, so you can be one too.
- One way to share God's message is through praying for those people that may have lost their way.
- You now have many tools in your treasure box. Open it up and ask God what tools to use to pray for those that are lost.

Preparation

Title

This is the basic format of meetings. You can use whatever works for you.



Come Into His Presence

MEMORY VERSE

• Luke 15:7 *...joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth...*

• SONGS

• I Just Want to be a Sheep <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NOwCgxDvpgE>

• Oh How He Loves You and Me <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J6AFId-RUPg>

SCRIPTURE STORY : Parable of the Lost Sheep, Luke 15:4-7



Enter the Gates (opening prayers)

Come together in praise. Use Popcorn Praise or Ping Pong Prayer to begin your time of prayer.



Prayers



Prayer Requests and Praise Reports



Lesson

What is a way that this concept can be introduced in an interactive way?

Maybe play a game of hide and seek where one person cannot be found? Set it up so that one parent or leader goes in search of the lost “lamb” and brings them back to the “fold”

Story scripture of the lost lamb: [Luke 15:4-7](#) See Videos Here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_Ry2MaMyvGo

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=smvcsGmv6Dw>

4 What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it?

5 And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing.

6 And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost.

7 I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.



Have you ever been lost?

What did it feel like?

How do you think your parents would feel if you were lost?

Did you know that there are lost people all over the world?

Even people you see every day may be lost. Not everyone knows about Jesus.

In the Kingdom Kid pledge we say:

Now I'm a Kingdom Kid

And I want to share with you

The message of His Kingdom

So you can be one too.



What do you think that means?

How can we share Jesus with others?

(Prayer is one way we can help those that do not know Jesus. We can pray for those people.)



Lost and Found

One day, 5 year old Becca Ann, her brother J. Alan and her mother went to a store. It was a large store with lots of clothes, shoes and other items. Becca's mom was busily looking through a rack of clothes while she and her brother were playing around near by.

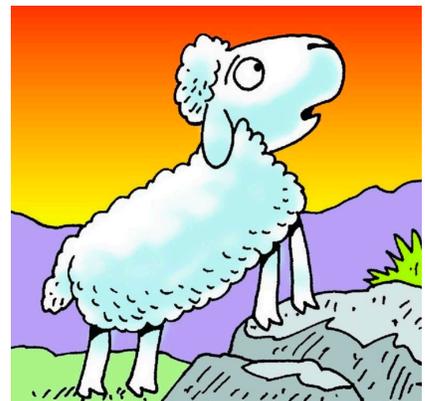
Becca hid in a rack of clothes for a few seconds and when she came out on the other side, her mother and brother were no where to be found. She ran around and around looking and looking but could not find her mom and brother anywhere! Becca was scared and she started to cry.

A sales lady noticed Becca crying and asked her if she was OK. Becca told the lady that she was lost! The lady took Becca Ann up some stairs into a little room where the store manager had his office. The man said that they could call Becca's mom on the loud speaker. He asked Becca what her mom's name was. But, Becca didn't know! She only called her "Mom"!

But, not to worry. Becca knew her own name. They called over the loud speaker for the mother of Becca Ann to come to the office. Becca's mom came to find her and Becca was so happy to be found.

Becca's mom was surprised that Becca couldn't find her because she had not gone anywhere. It was Becca who had wandered away.

How is that like our Shepherd (Jesus)? When we can't find Him, is He the one that wandered away?



How do people wander away from Jesus?

What can we do to help those people?



Prayers for non-Christians or those who are lost

1. Pray that Gods' love will be shown to them.

I John 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be calls the sons of God.

2. Pray that God's will be done in their lives as it is in heaven.

Matthew 6:10 Thy Kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven

3. Pray that their needs are taken care of and they see God's hand in their lives.

Give us this day our daily bread

4. Pray that Satan would be kept from blinding them to the truth

Suffer us not to be led into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

5. Pray that they would repent and lay down the rocks and hurts in their lives.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. (Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.)

7. Pray that God's glory would shine in their lives

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever

8. Pray that they would take root and grow in Christ

(Ephesians 3:17-19).

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God.

Outward Focused Prayer

Follow up on any prayer concerns that have been prayed about in the past.

Continue praying for world concerns or children in other countries.

Ask the children if they know someone that is lost.

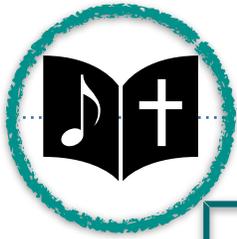
Maybe the person knows God but may have wandered away from church or God.

Have a time of silent prayer for those people.

Leader could pray out loud while they pray silently.

John 10:14-16

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.



Songs and Scriptures for Finding the Lost

VERSE

- Luke 15:7 ...joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth...



I Just Want to be a Sheep

Chorus

I just want to be a sheep, baa, ba, ba, baa.

I just want to be a sheep, baa, ba, ba, baa.

I pray the Lord my soul to keep, I just want to be a sheep.

1.

I don't want to be a pharisee (2x) Cos' they're not fair you see.

I don't want to be a pharisee

2.

I don't want to be a Sadducee (2x) Cos' they're so sad, you see.

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Other verses: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NOwCgxDvpgE>

Oh How He Loves You and Me

Oh, how He loves you and me, Oh how He loves you and me.

He gave his life, what more could he give?

Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how he loves me; Oh, how he loves you and me.

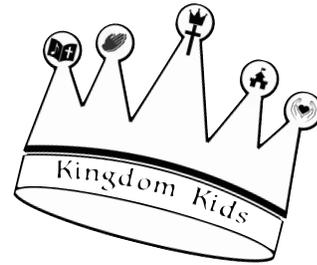
Jesus to Calvary did go, His love for sinners to show.

What He did there brought hope from despair.

Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how he loves me; Oh, how he loves you and me.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J6AFId-RUPg>

Prayer Points for Parents



Hello Parents!

Today at Kingdom Kids we talked about the parable of the lost sheep,

Jesus is telling His disciples that even those that stray are important in the Kingdom. That He seeks those that are lost.

Prayer Challenge

During your family prayer time, focus some of your prayers are those who are lost and need to find their Shepherd.



The children now have learned many prayer points. Review them and ask God what tools to use to pray for those that are lost.

You could use the Lord's Prayer and this scripture to help your prayers:

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