



Come Unto Me



"He Was Lost, and Is Found"

Lesson 18

Luke 15; 17

Introduction

- How did you feel when the object or person was lost?
- How did you feel when the object or person was found?

The Worth Of Souls. (Luke 15:1–10)

"This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them" (Luke 15:2).

- *In the parable of the lost sheep, the shepherd left ninety-nine sheep to find one that was lost (Luke 15:4). In the parable of the piece of silver, the woman sought diligently for one lost coin (Luke 15:8). What can we learn from the actions of the shepherd and the woman?* (See D&C 18:10–13.)
- ***In what ways might a person be "lost"?***
- ***What is our responsibility toward those who are lost?*** (Luke 15:4–5, 8; Alma 31:34–35.)
- ***How should we respond at the return of a person who has been lost?*** (Luke 15:5, 6, 9, 7, 10 and D&C 18:15–16.)

Heavenly Father Rejoices In Forgiving The Repentant. (Luke 15:11–32)

- ★ In the parable of the prodigal son, ***what did the younger son do with his inheritance?*** (Luke 15:13)
- ★ ***What are some ways that people today make errors similar to those of the prodigal son?***
- ★ ***What happened to the prodigal son after he had wasted all his inheritance?*** (See Luke 15:14–16.)
- ★ ***What application does this have in our day?***
- ★ ***When the prodigal son was in want, who in the far country cared for him?*** (Luke 15:16.)
- ★ ***What can we learn from this?***
- ★ ***Whom did the son think of when he saw that no***

one in the far country cared for him? (See Luke 15:17.)

- ★ ***What can we learn about repentance from the son's attitude?*** (See Luke 15:18–19.)
- ★ What did the father do when he saw his son returning? (See Luke 15:20.)
- ★ ***How did the father respond to his son's confession?*** (See Luke 15:21–24.)
- ★ ***How is the father's response like the Lord's response when we repent?*** (See Luke 15:7; Mosiah 26:30; D&C 58:42.)
- ★ ***In what ways are we like the prodigal son?***
- ★ ***Why was the elder son angry with the way his father received the younger son?*** (See Luke 15:25–30.)
- ★ ***How did the father respond to the elder son's complaint?*** (See Luke 15:31–32.)
- ★ ***Why is it sometimes difficult to welcome back a "prodigal son" who has repented?***
- ★ ***What can we learn from this man's response to his returning son?*** (See Luke 15:32.)

A man whom Jesus has healed of leprosy returns to thank him. (Luke 17:11–19)

- As the Savior went to Jerusalem, he healed ten lepers (Luke 17:11–14). Of those ten lepers, how many returned to express gratitude? (See Luke 17:15–16.)
- ***What are some reasons that we, like the nine ungrateful lepers, do not always express our gratitude for the blessings we receive?***
- ***Why is it important that we express gratitude to the Lord?***
- Although all ten lepers were cleansed, ***only the man who returned was made whole*** (Luke 17:14, 19). ***What is the difference between being healed and being made whole?***

➤ ***How do our gratitude and faith help us become whole?***

The Unprofitable Servant (Luke 17:5–10).

- Jesus presented this parable after the Apostles requested of him, "Increase our faith" (Luke 17:5). ***What can we learn from this parable about how we can increase our faith?***
- ***Why are we unprofitable servants even when we do everything the Lord commands us to do?*** (See Mosiah 2:20–25.)
- ***What does this reveal about the Lord's love for us?***

The parable of the laborers in the vineyard (Matthew 20:1–16).

- In this parable, ***what did every laborer in the vineyard receive?*** (Matthew 20:4, 7).

Conclusion

When we repent and return to the Lord and when we help others return There is joy on earth and in heaven. Jesus' parables and other teachings show God's love for his children and his desire that we love one another. They also show His love for us and how quickly we are forgiven when we come to him with a penitent heart and sorrow for our sins.

