**The Lost Sheep**

Luke 15:1-10

Key Verse 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.”

1. Read verses 1-3. Who gathered around Jesus and why? (1, Mt 11:28)? What did the religious leaders do? (2) How does Jesus try to help them? (3)

2. Read verses 4-6. What will a shepherd do when he loses one of his sheep? (4) Why does the shepherd look so diligently for the lost sheep? What will he do when he finds it? (5, 6)

3. Read verses 7. What will happen in heaven if one sinner repents? How does this illustrate the Father’s heart for sinners? (7; Romans 5:8)

4. Read verses 8-10. What will a woman do when she loses a silver coin? (8) How will she express her joy after she finds it? (9) What will happen among the angels of God over one sinner who repents? (10) What does this tell us about the source of God’s joy?