

# **“Repenting And Rejoicing”**

## **Christ’s Call To Love The Lost And The Law**

### **Luke 15:1-10**

Imagine the flock grazing peacefully upon the open plain. The shepherd lounges casually on a rock, his eyes roving as he counts his master’s sheep. All is well: ninety-eight, ninety-nine ... Uh oh. The shepherd counts again, then sets off *to be a shepherd* to that one lost and scared animal now in need of his shepherd more than ever. And when the shepherd recovers it, “he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.” Today, consider the relationship between recovery and repentance, and your role today as both a sheep and a shepherd.

#### **I. The \_\_\_\_\_ Savior. (v 1-2)**

1. Jesus’ lesson is built around the \_\_\_\_\_ of a sinner & \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven.
2. Repentance requires the Gospel meet \_\_\_\_\_ in a heart of compassion.

#### **II. The \_\_\_\_\_ Shepherd (v 3-4, 8)**

1. The search is difficult and dangerous. \_\_\_\_\_ in the “open country.”
2. As a sheep, \_\_\_\_\_ to your shepherd. Shepherds, \_\_\_\_\_ for them.

#### **III. The \_\_\_\_\_ Sinner (v 5)**

1. The verse implies the animal is unable to walk. Sin has real \_\_\_\_\_.
2. See how the sins of \_\_\_\_\_ and pride and \_\_\_\_\_ isolate people.
3. Repentance: to change your \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ from your way to God’s way.

#### **IV. The \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ (v 6-7, 9-10)**

1. Verse 7 features “joy in heaven” and verse 10 “joy before the angels of God.”
2. This joy comes when people \_\_\_\_\_ God’s truth and \_\_\_\_\_ to his Law.
3. In 2013 let us have \_\_\_\_\_ for those who need to be \_\_\_\_\_ repentance (2 Ti. 2:24-26). This requires soft hearts and great courage!
4. Let the \_\_\_\_\_ of repentance give way to new \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ and church!