

- I. This week, "What do you rejoice over?"
- II. Last week, "How much are you willing to pay?"
- III. 3 Reasons to Rejoice
 - A. A lost sheep (Luke 15:1-7)
 - B. A lost coin (Luke 15:8-10)
 - C. A lost boy (Luke 15:11-32)
 - D. 3 linking threads in each story, "lost," "found," "rejoicing"
- IV. A lost sheep
 - A. Jesus is accused of dining with sinners
 - B. Jesus says, "There's more joy in heaven when..."
 1. This is a condemnation of the Pharisees' self-righteousness
- V. A lost coin
 - A. Woman has 9 more, the value of one is small compared to the rest
 - B. The woman diligently searches for the lost coin
 - C. There is a celebration with her friends when it is found
 - D. Jesus says, "There is more joy in heaven..."
- VI. A lost boy
 - A. Man has two sons
 - B. The younger one offends him and leaves, losing everything of any value
 - C. Man rejoices when the younger son returns and repents
 - D. The older son is offended and offends his father
- VII. Three linking threads
 - A. Lost, each lost item has relatively little value compared to what remains
 - B. Owners work hard to find them
 - C. The owners and those close to them rejoice
- VIII. Parables are about the kingdom of God
 - A. Main point is concerning sinner who repents
 - B. Also designed to make us think
- IX. What do you rejoice over?