

“Lost and Found”

(Luke 15:1-24)

- A. A Three-part Parable
 - 1. What is a parable? – “Lay alongside of”
 - 2. Why this parable? – The heavens and the critics

- B. How People Become Lost
 - 1. Like sheep – Wonder away, know lost, not know way home: emphasis upon going Shepherd
 - 2. Like coins – Through neglect, not know: emphasis upon a searching woman
 - 3. Like boy – Rebellion, knew lost, knew way home: emphasis upon a running father

- C. What the Boy Did
 - 1. Demand
 - 2. Waste
 - 3. Want
 - 4. Came to himself
 - 5. Remembered
 - 6. Arose and came

- D. What the Father Did
 - 1. Watched
 - 2. Ran
 - 3. Not servant, but son

- E. The Other Son (15:25-32)
 - 1. Obedient
 - 2. Angry
 - 3. Failed the love test

Studies in Luke (47)
"The Other Son"

(Luke 15:25-32)

- A. The Two Sons
 - 1. Similarities: same father; home; problem
 - 2. Contrast: younger rebelled; older stayed home; both revolted; difference – one was at home, one lost at home

- B. The Elder Brother's Virtue
 - 1. Obedient (29)
 - 2. Industrious (25)
 - 3. The good son

- C. The Elder Brother's Disposition
 - 1. Angry (28)
 - 2. Jealous (28)
 - 3. Self-centered (29)
 - 4. Self-righteous (29)
 - 5. Self-pity (29)
 - 6. Judge (30)
 - 7. Ungrateful (31)

- D. Those Affected By This Brother
 - 1. Prodigal
 - 2. Father
 - 3. Family
 - 4. This brother