

# SERMON NOTE: Becoming A Contagious Church-Lost and Found Heart of Compassion for the LORD

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Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." Then Jesus told them this parable: "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' 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. "Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.' In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents." Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' So he

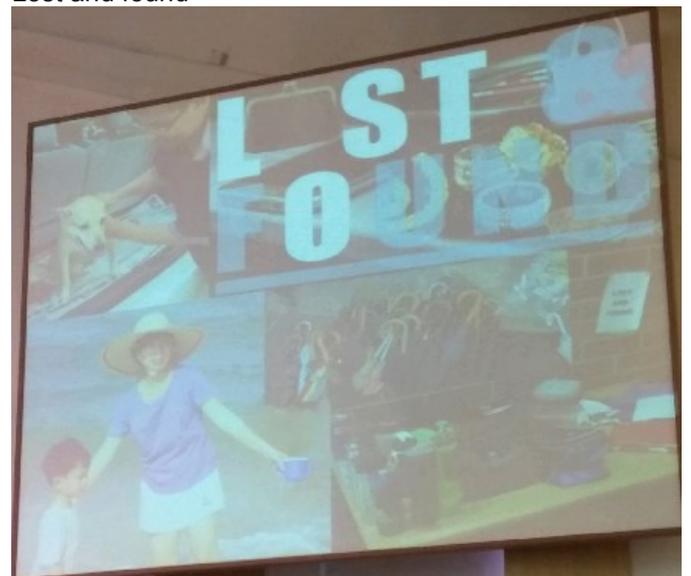
got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate. "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!' " 'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' "

<https://bible.com/bible/111/luk.15.1-32.NIV>

What is in our hearts when we try to reach out to friends and family?

Our purpose? For GOD, share the gospel, the good news, for our merit, for your love for him/her?

Lost and found



Have you ever lost something dear to your heart? Will you be traumatized? Will you go all your way out to search for it?

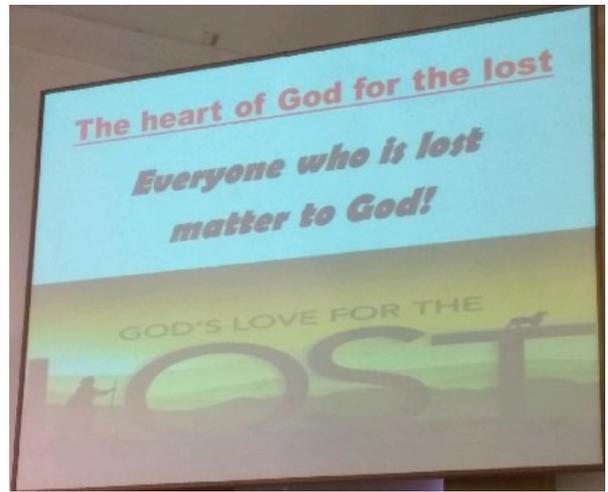
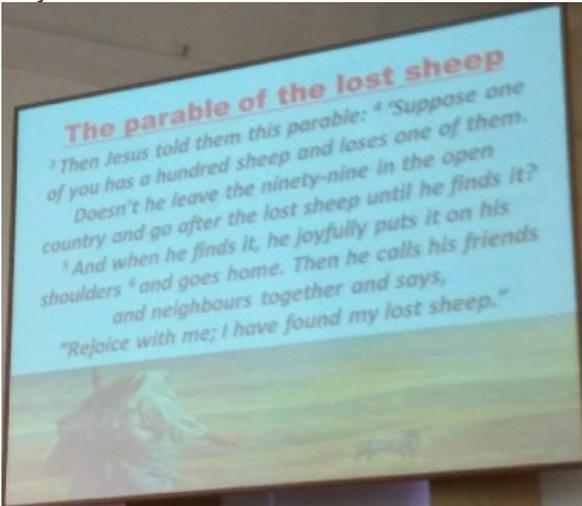
Luke 15- Lost and Found  
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#### The Parable of the Lost Sheep

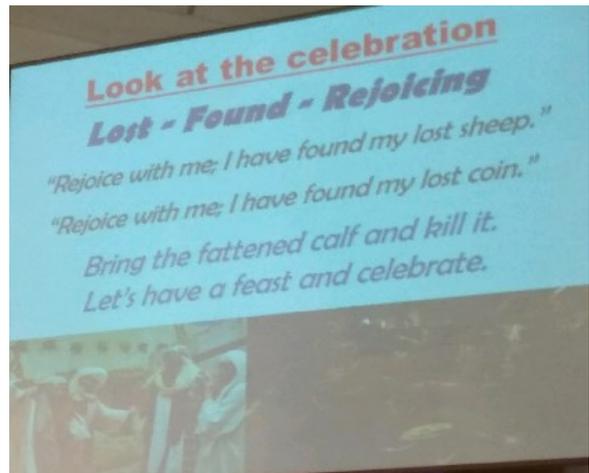
Looking for the 1 out of 100 sheep, he went all the way out and searched, and when found he celebrates so joyfully.



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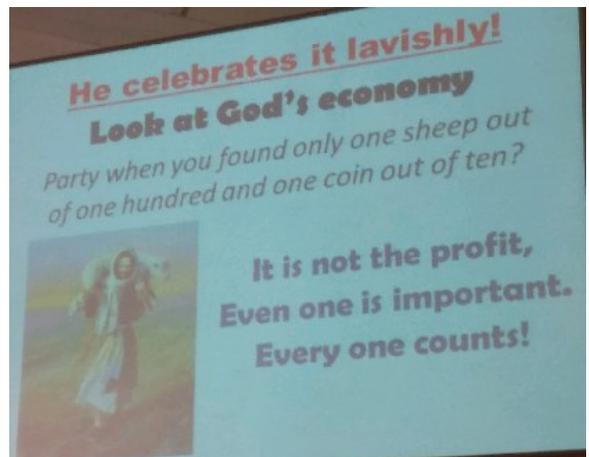
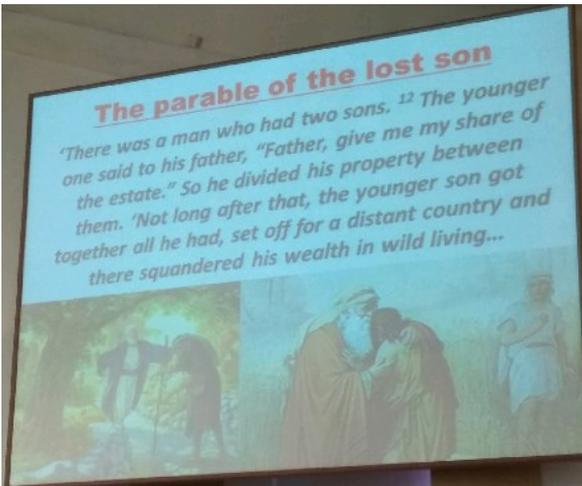
#### The Parable of the Lost Coin

Woman lost a silver coin, light a lamp and swept to searched for it, so delighted when it was found.



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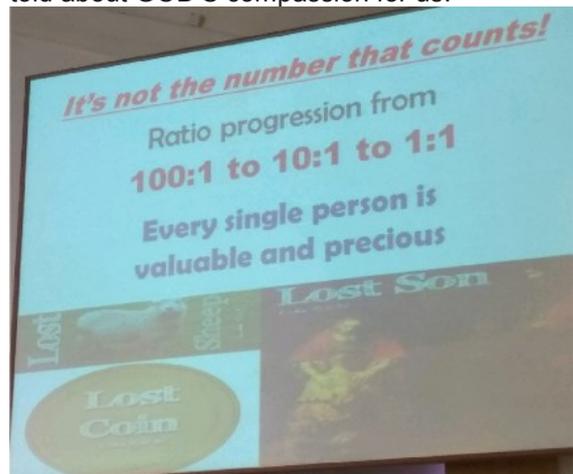
#### Parable of the Lost sons

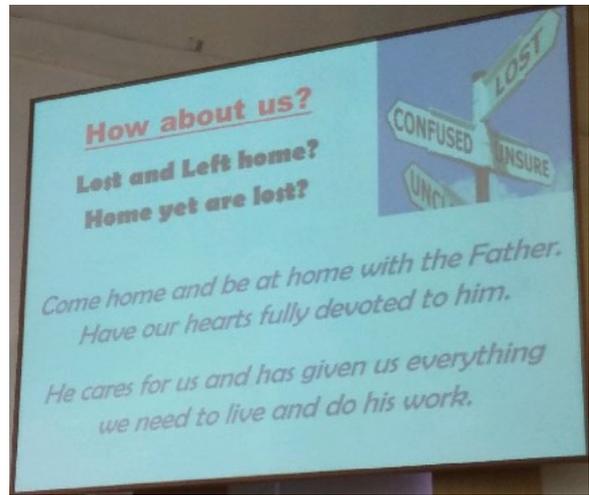
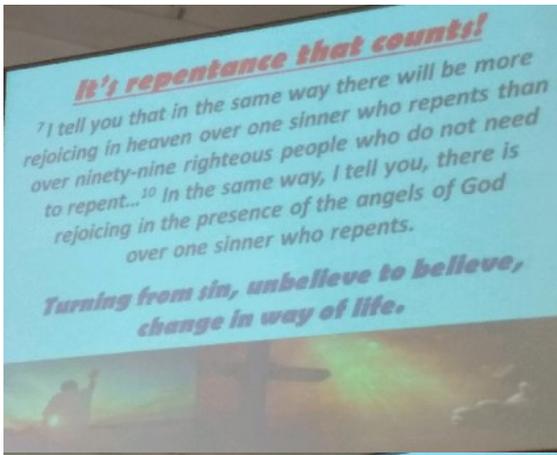


Consider the feelings of the toner son, the father and the elder brother,

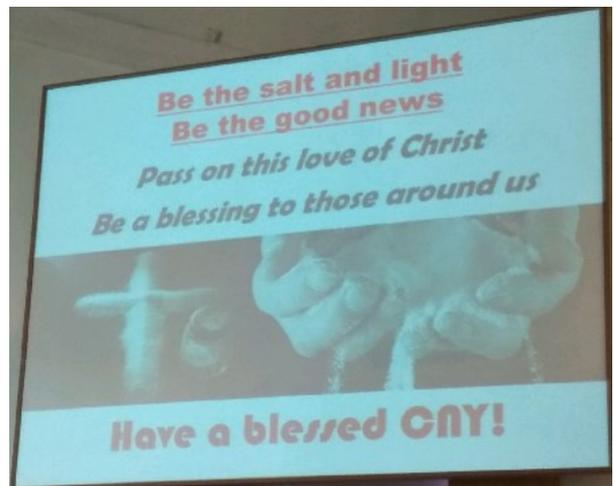
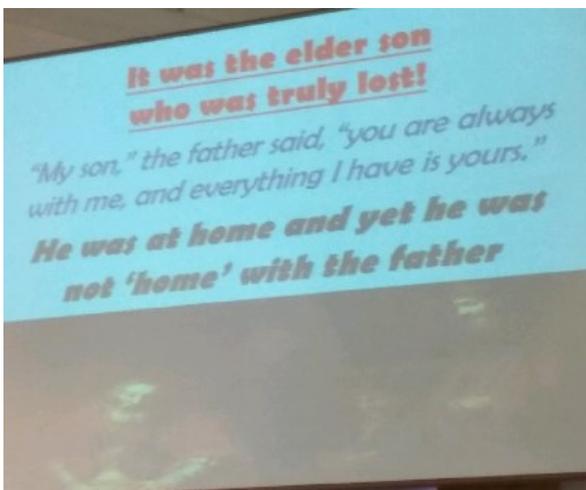
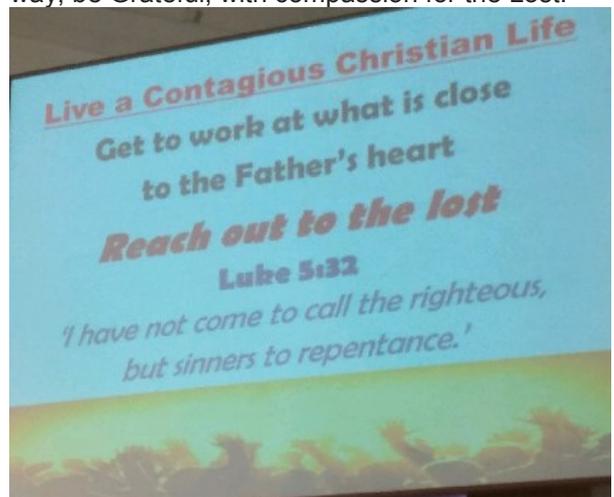
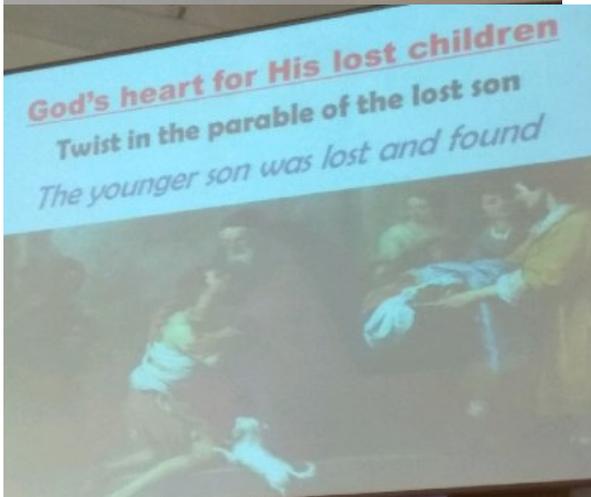
How's or hearts when we reach out to our friends and family?

Not sure if we all will celebrate when found the Lost of things or people, or soul, but the Adobe is what JESUS told about GOD'S compassion for us.





Let us come home to our HEAVENLY FATHER, our home, for HE long for us to come home, on the same way, be Grateful, with compassion for the Lost.



How about us?  
Are we Lost and Left Home?  
Are we Home yet Lost?