



## **Lent Midweek Bible Study #3**

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

- 1. When have you lost something important - a wallet, credit cards, a cell phone, car keys? How soon did you start looking for it? Did you search by yourself, or did you enlist the help of everyone you could get? Finally, where were some of the most obvious places you first searched?**
- 2. The Pharisees and scribes grumbled against Jesus (Luke 15: 1-2) because He was eating with sinners and tax collectors. If they identified that Jesus was a religious teacher, what did they expect Him to do with the people they identified as sinners?**
- 3. Wouldn't ninety-nine sheep be enough for the shepherd? What motivates him to leave the security and calm of the sheepfold and go after this one? Won't the lamb just come back on its own?**
- 4. The parable of the lost coin and the parable of the lost lamb share the same message. However, there are some of the key differences between the two parables. Consider the importance of the different numbers involved - one hundred versus ten - and the way the coin is lost versus the way the lamb is. Furthermore, while we see the lamb traveling away, the coin is hidden and still. Is the coin easier or more difficult to find than the moving lamb?**
- 5. As you review all of Luke 15, how do you see Jesus act as the searching shepherd, the determined woman, and the patient father in His seeking of the lost during His ministry?**