

LIFE GROUP

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The Lost Sheep November 9, 2025

Summary

David Pierce, founder of Steiger International, along with his wife Jody, shares the parable of the lost sheep from Luke 15. Drawing on powerful stories from their global ministry, David challenges us to develop God's heart for those who are far from Him. He encourages us to step outside the walls of the church and reach people who might never come in on their own, showing that every lost person matters deeply to Jesus.

Scripture

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. Luke 15:1-7 (NIV)

Let's Start

What are some distinctives of today's global youth culture?

Gratitude and Prayer

How has God been at work in your life since we last met?

Let's Talk

1. David talked about how Jesus communicated in the language of the people. What does that mean, and why was it effective?
2. According to Luke 15:1-7, what does a good shepherd do when one of the flock is lost?
3. In what ways is Jesus our Good Shepherd?
4. How does a shepherd bring a lost sheep home? What might that look like for us as we seek to bring others to Jesus?
5. What happens when the shepherd returns home after finding the lost sheep, and what does this reveal about God's heart?
6. How do "sheep" get lost, and in what ways do we sometimes go astray?
7. What fears or barriers might keep us from being associated with those who are spiritually lost?
8. What is one practical step you can take this week to **follow Jesus completely** by seeking those who are far from Him?

Let's Act

This week, spend intentional time in prayer asking God to soften your heart toward those who do not know Him. Invite the Holy Spirit to convict you where your heart has grown indifferent or judgmental, and repent of any attitudes that keep you from seeing people as Jesus sees them. Ask God for a renewed compassion—a change of heart and soul—so that you are moved to actively love, pursue and pray for the “lost sheep” in your life.

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