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³ Then Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ “Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷ 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 15:3-7

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Parable Themes: Luke 15: 3-7

1. CONCERN for something lost.
2. SERIOUSNESS of the situation.
3. PERSISTENT search for recovery.
4. The JOY of discovering the missing item.
5. The sense of CELEBRATING as a community.

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Some sheep do not want to be found

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¹ The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,

³ he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

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⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

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He makes me lie down in green pastures ~
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1. Fear
2. Tension
3. Aggravation
4. Hunger

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⁹ I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture.
¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

John 10:9-10

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