

# Lost Things

Storyteller #15

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## Luke 15:1-2

*“Now all the tax collectors and the sinners were coming near Him to listen to Him. <sup>2</sup> Both the Pharisees and the scribes began to grumble, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”*

Q: What had the Pharisees and Scribes lost?

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Jesus teaches these three parables to change their **point of view** from **What** was lost, to **Who** lost it.

## **Read Luke 15:3-7 “The Parable of the Lost Sheep”**

Q: When the shepherd calls together his friends and neighbors to celebrate, who is the party for?

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Q: What does the shepherd want his friends and neighbors to do?

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## **Read Luke 15:8-10 “The Parable of the Lost Coin”**

Q: When the woman calls together her friends and neighbors to celebrate, who is the party for?

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Q: What does the woman want her friends and neighbors to do?

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## **Read Luke 15:11-24 “The Parable of the Man With Two Sons” (part 1)**

Q: When the Father calls for a banquet to celebrate, who is the party for?

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Q: What does the Father want His friends and neighbors to do?

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## **Read Luke 15:25-32 “The Parable of the Man With Two Sons” part 2)**

Because the older son lost the Father’s point of view, he also lost:

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## **How Can I Know If I’ve Lost God’s Point Of View?**

Ask yourself:

1. Do I try to find out what pleases God? ([Eph 5:10](#))
2. Do I keep Jesus’ commandments? ([John 14:15](#))
3. Do I love people like Jesus does? ([John 13:34](#))

## **God’s Point Of View Changes How You See Yourself And Others.**

*“So from now on **we regard no one from a worldly point of view.** Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. <sup>17</sup> Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who **reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.**”*

2Cor. 5:16-18 (NIV2011)

## **Are You Willing To Help God Get Back What Belongs To Him?**