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Lu. 15 - The Worth of a Soul. 2 Sermons

Heart of Gospel — Thread — Love + Mercy — Loss, Search, Recovery, Joy

Sheep - Shepherd — love — search — Found - Joy —
strayed - wandered — blindly — step at a time —
nibbles — did not know - Ignorance
Search — Found — Joy —

Coin - woman - Thru fault of others — Tempter —
Environment — out of circulation — no power to help —
Unconscious of its condition —

Son - Father — Wilful choice — Eyes open —
Knew father + home — —
Hope — Love — prayer — Welcome - Joy.

The Divine grief over sin — Real value lost —

The Sad State of the Sinner — Helpless —
must remain loss —
— downward course of sin
— deepening wretchedness of sinner —

God's Willingness + Eagerness to Save —
Long + Eager search —

Heaven's Eagerness in the search + Abounding
joy over the return

—The Love of God— Luke 15 - Lost & Found Chapter - The Worth of a Soul

Heart of the gospel — Same thread runs through all three - Love & mercy
the loss of a human soul & the joy over its recovery —
—He had no impossibles — God's care for the individual
a loss / search / recovery / resultant joy -

Sheep - Shepherd - Shepherd loves sheep —
Pastoral life - sheep strayed unwittingly, blindly, a step at a time
wandered - Did not know where he was or the way home -
nibbles itself away —
- An untiring search - Loss by ignorance & stupidity - silly - thoughtless
no definite aim — no ideal - no constraints -

Coin (5¢) woman —
Domestic life - cottage -
coin did not lose itself - unconscious of lost condition
out of circulation - happy - Rejoice with me —
Thru fault of others - not its doing — no power to resist —
Environment — Tempter.

Son - Father - moved by love — heart hunger.
Bereaved Father - Boy - wilful perversity - choice -

1. The divine grief over sin — losing that which has real value —
Bereavement over loss of son -

2. The sad state of the sinner — (1, 2,) perfect helplessness to save self
must remain lost - unless -
(3) downward course of sin & deepening wretchedness of sinner
Sin degrades & isolates

3. God's willingness & eagerness to save — long & eager search.

4 Heaven's eagerness in the search & abounding joy over return
— Man at Station - 15 years —