

## **HE WAS LOST AND IS FOUND**

**Luke 15:1-32**

**Key Verses: 15:31,32**

**"My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'"**

### **Study Questions:**

1. How did the Pharisees' muttering lead Jesus to tell these parables? How is a lost sheep like people who live by instinct? Why should people not live like that? (Ro 8:5,7; Eph 2:3) Why can't the shepherd be satisfied with 99 sheep?
2. Describe the shepherd's search for the lost sheep. What does the shepherd do when he finds the lost one? What does this parable teach us about God's heart?
3. How are some sinners like lost coins that have no will of their own? What is the attitude of the woman who searches for, and finally finds, the lost coin? How is God like this?
4. Why did the younger son want to leave his loving father? Why did his father give him what he wanted? What did he lose? What happened to him? Why did he come to his senses and head for home?
5. Describe the father's welcome. How does he reveal the heart of God? What was the older brother's gripe? What was his relationship with his father? How was he like the Pharisees?