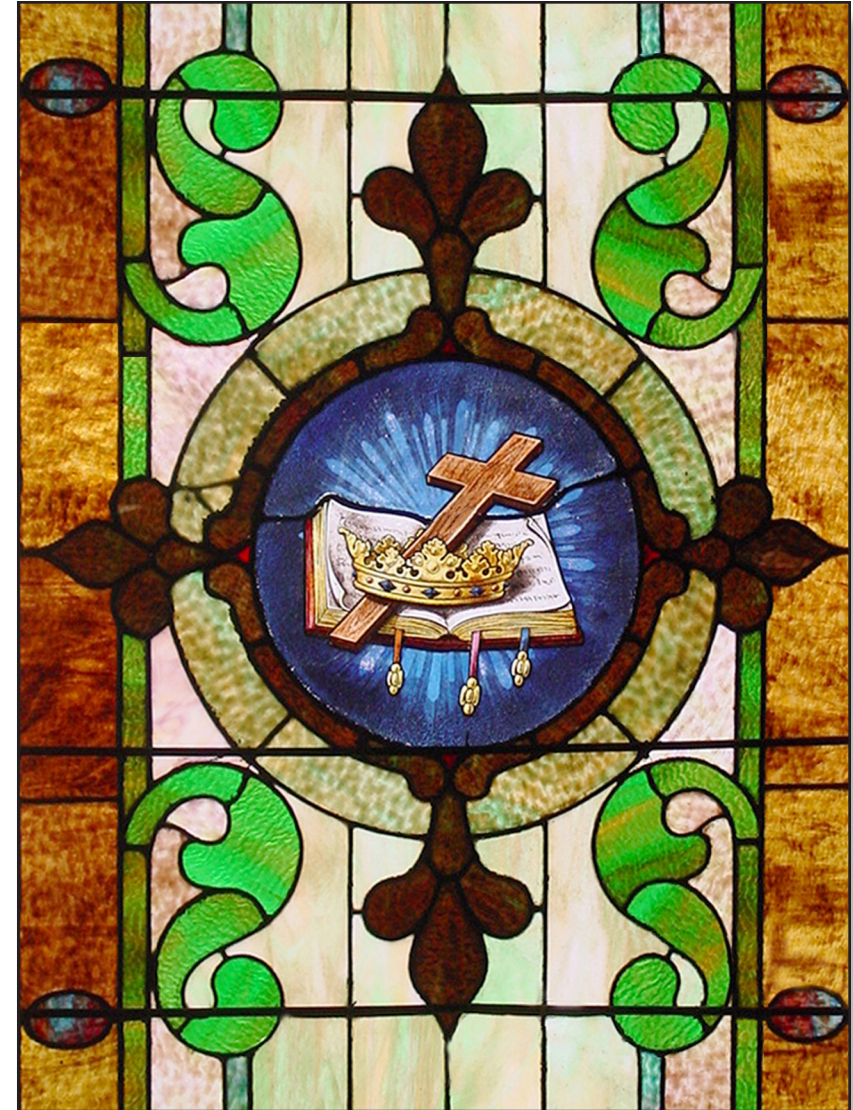


A Closer Look: *The Lost Sheep*

Luke 15:3-7

1. What is a parable?
2. Who are the sheep in this story? Who is the Shepherd?
3. How are we “lost”?
4. Where does Jesus leave the 99 sheep while He looks for the lost?
5. Name some safe places where Jesus would leave His sheep.
6. How are we “found”?
7. Why do you think heaven rejoices when the lost is found?
8. Have you ever lost something very special? What did you do when you found it?
9. Have you known someone who was “lost”? What did you do to help them find their way?
10. How can you help someone who is “lost” find Jesus?

Heaven



**I will come again and will take you to Myself,
that where I am you may be also. John 14:3**

Jesus Prepares Heaven for Us

John 14:1-3

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in Me.

2 In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to Myself, that where I am you may be also.”

The Hidden Treasure

Matthew 13:44

44 “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.”

The Pearl of Great Price

Matthew 13:45-46

45 “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, 46 who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.”

The Lost Sheep

Luke 15:3-7

3 He told them this parable: 4 “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it?

5 And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.

6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’

7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.”

The Lost Coin

Luke 15:8-10

8 “Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? 9 And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ 10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”