

**99 or 100?**

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Text: Luke 15:1-7

*'What man among you, who has 100 sheep and loses one of them, does not leave the 99 in the open field and go after the lost one until he finds it?' Luke 15:4*

**Introduction**

1. Jesus had a \_\_\_\_\_ to say, and is \_\_\_\_\_ saying a lot!
2. Here is a chapter of scripture with \_\_\_\_\_ theme.
3. That theme is that \_\_\_\_\_ matter to God.
4. Those in great need heard Him \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Those who thought they were okay \_\_\_\_\_ Him.
6. Jesus loved us so much He \_\_\_\_\_ for us!

*"This is real love – not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.' 1 John 4:10, NLT*

7. Your \_\_\_\_\_ matters to God!
  - a. The \_\_\_\_\_ of man's care.

*'Look to the right and see: there is none who takes notice of me; no refuge remains to me; no one cares for my soul.' Psalm 142:4, ESV*

*'I look for someone to come and help me, but no one gives me a passing thought! No one will help me; no one cares a bit what happens to me.' Psalm 142:4, NLT*

- b. The \_\_\_\_\_ of God's care.
 

*'For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.' Luke 19:10, ESV*

*'Casting all your care upon Him, because He cares about you.' 1 Peter 5:7*

**99 or 100?**

1. **The** \_\_\_\_\_.

*'What man among you, who has 100 sheep and loses one of them . . . ' v. 4a*

2. **The** \_\_\_\_\_.

*' . . . does not leave the 99 in the open field and go after the lost one . . . ' v. 4b*

3. **The** \_\_\_\_\_.

*' . . . until he finds it ' v. 4c*

4. **The** \_\_\_\_\_.

*'When he found it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders, and coming home, he calls his friends and neighbors together, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, because I have found my lost sheep!' vs. 5-6*

**Conclusion**

1. It's a story of \_\_\_\_\_ and reward.
2. It's a story of \_\_\_\_\_ and joy.
3. It's a story of \_\_\_\_\_ and found.
4. It's a story of \_\_\_\_\_ and value.
5. It matters to 7 billion, 55 million, 97,000, and to \_\_\_\_\_!

*'I tell you, in the same way, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over 99 righteous people who don't need repentance.' v. 7*