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Walking With Jesus

The Mis-Named Parable:
Lost, Found and Rejoice
Luke 15 (Selections)
(Pew Bible p. 1042)

Who is the spotlight really on?

Occasion for the teaching/Purpose	vv. 1-3
1. The lost sheep,	vv. 4-7
2. The lost coin,	vv. 8-10
3. The lost sons,	vv. 11-32
1) Younger son – sins of the flesh,	vv. 11-24
2) Elder son – sins of the spirit,	vv. 25-32

Repeated Cycle: **Lost – Seek – Found – Rejoice**

The final verse (v. 32) “answers” the opening verses (vv. 1-3)
but leaves the issue “open” for each of us to respond.

God rejoices when sinners repent – do you?

*Your worst day is never so bad that you are beyond the reach of God's grace.
And your best day is never so good that you are beyond your need for God's grace.
Jerry Bridges, *The Discipline of Grace*, 18*

Next Week: Luke 18