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13 “A few days later this younger son packed all his belongings and moved to a distant land, and there he wasted all his money in wild living.

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Judea and Surrounding Regions





GOD SEEKS *THE LOST*

A SERIES OF PARABLES IN LUKE 14



1

THE WEDDING FEAST

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled.

LUKE 14:7-11



2

THE LOST SHEEP

He leaves the ninety-nine to find the one.
There is rejoicing when the lost is found.

LUKE 15:3-7



3

THE LOST COIN

She searches carefully until she finds it.
There is rejoicing over what was lost.

LUKE 15:8-10



4

THE MAN WHO PUT ON A GREAT BANQUET

He said, 'Go out to the roads and bring in the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.'

LUKE 14:16-24



For everyone who *exalts himself* will be *humbled*,
but the one who *humbles himself* will be *exalted*.

LUKE 14:11



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LUKE 14:28

THE KING WHO
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LUKE 14:31

WHOEVER
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LUKE 14:27

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17 “When he finally came to his senses, he said to himself, ‘At home even the hired servants have food enough to spare, and here I am dying of hunger!’

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18 I will go home to my father and say, “Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you,
19 and I am no longer worthy of being called your son. Please take me on as a hired servant.””

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20 “So he returned home to his father. And while he was still a long way off, his father saw him coming. Filled with love and compassion, he ran to his son, embraced him, and kissed him.

21 His son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you, and I am no longer worthy of being called your son.’

22 “But his father said to the servants, ‘Quick! Bring the finest robe in the house and put it on him. Get a ring for his finger and sandals for his feet.

23 And kill the calf we have been fattening. We must celebrate with a feast,

24 for this son of mine was dead and has now returned to life. He was lost, but now he is found.’ So the party began.

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