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**Year 4 Bible Study Luke Chapter 15 & 16**

**For the questions below Highlight or change the font colour to choose the correct answer.**

* Monday 24th April :Read **Luke 15: 1-10** and answer the questions:

### The Parable of the Lost Sheep

*1 Then all the tax collectors and the sinners drew near to Him to hear Him. 2And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying, “This Man receives sinners and eats with them.” 3So He spoke this parable to them, saying:*

*4“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? 5And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!’ 7I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.*

**Question 1**

Match the part of the parable on the left to what it represents on the right.

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| **Parable** | **Match** | **What it represents** |
| Shepherd |  | i. Those who know God and follow His commandments |
| Lost sheep |  | ii. Jesus |
| 99 other sheep |  | iii. People who do not know God or have turned away from Him |

**The Parable of the Lost Coin**

*8“Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? 9And when she has found it, she calls her friends and neighbors together, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I lost!’ 10Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”*

**Question 2**

****What does the parable mean when it says *if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it*?

1. God likes us to keep our homes clean.
2. The coin was worth a lot of money.
3. God will do everything He can to bring sinful people back to Him.

* Tuesday 25th April: Read **Luke 15: 11-24** and answer the questions:

### The Parable of the Lost Son

*11Then He said: “A certain man had two sons. 12And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.’ So he divided to them his livelihood. 13And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living. 14But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. 15Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. 16And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything.*

**Question 3a**

*The parable of the lost son tells a story of a young man who decides he is better off without his father. So he takes his portion of his father’s money and decides the world will bring him more happiness than his father, home and family. Over the next three days of reading this parable, we will see if the son is correct.*

This parable is often called ‘The Prodigal Son’. What does the word **prodigal** mean? You may need a dictionary to help you.

**Question 3b**

Rearrange the following events and put them in the correct order. The first one has been done for you below.

i. There arose a severe famine in that land and the son was very poor and hungry.

ii. The young son asked his father for his inheritance.

iii. He became so hungry, he considered eating the pigs food and no one helped him.

iv. He got a job feeding pigs because he was so desperate.

v. He journed to a far country and wasted his money.

Correct order:

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**The Lost son returns home.**

*17“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! 18I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, 19and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants.”’*

*20“And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. 21And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.’*

*22“But the father said to his servants, ‘Bringout the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. 23And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; 24for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ And they began to be merry.*

**Question 4**

*The son quickly realizes he is much better being home with his father than wasting his life in the world. He decides to go home and tell his father he will work like a servant. The father sees his son a long way off and runs towards him, hugs him and kisses him. How great is the father’s love for his son!*

Select TRUE or FALSE for the following statements:

1. The son enjoyed the world so much; he didn’t want to go home. **TRUE / FALSE**
2. He was happy to go to his father and work like a servant. **TRUE / FALSE**
3. The father waited at the door for an apology from his son. **TRUE / FALSE**
4. The father made a big feast for his son when he returned. **TRUE / FALSE**

* Wednesday 26th April: **Luke 15: 25-32** and answer the questions:

**The Father forgives the lost son.**

*25“Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. 26So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. 27And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.’*

*28“But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. 29So he answered and said to his father, ‘Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. 30But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.*

**Question 5**

Open your Bible and look up Luke Chapter 15 verses 31-33. We read that the older brother was not happy about his father putting on a celebration for the return of his younger brother. The older brother was like the Pharisees. His work was strict duty. He did not serve his father because he loved him. The Pharisees obeyed the law, but they did not love God. The son did not understand how his father felt. The Pharisees did not believe that God would welcome sinners.

What explanation did the father give to the older son why he welcomed the younger son home?

* Thursday 27th April :Read **Luke 16: 1-8** and answer the questions:

### Question 6

### Open your Bible, look up and read Luke Chapter 16 Verses 1-2. This is this the introduction of another parable Jesus told. The parable is about the Unjust Steward.

### Match the following words to their meaning

### Unjust, Steward , stewardship, accusation, account

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| Word | Meaning |
|  | Blame, complaint |
|  | Explanation, description |
|  | A servant who managed the rich man’s business |
|  | Unfair, dishonest. |
|  | Managerial work |

**The Parable of the Unjust Steward- continued**

*3“Then the steward said within himself, ‘What shall I do? For my master is taking the stewardship away from me. I cannot dig; I am ashamed to beg. 4I have resolved what to do, that when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.’*

*5“So he called every one of his master’s debtors to him, and said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ 6And he said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ So he said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ 7Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ So he said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ And he said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ 8So the master commended the unjust steward because he had dealt shrewdly. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in their generation than the sons of light.*

*This is a difficult parable to understand. Basically a steward, that is, a worker of the master was being dishonest with his master’s things. The master finds out and tells him he’s fired. So that the steward has somewhere to go after he has lost his job, he goes to people that owe his master things and reduces their debt. He isnt really allowed to do this but he is desperate. Instead of the master being annoyed at the steward for doing so, he commends (congratulates) him because he has made the master look generous to others. The master represents God. If God can show patience to those who don’t do the right thing but make wise decisions, how much more will He show patience to those of us who try to do what is right?*

**Question 7**

Arrange the following in order of how the parable was told in the boxes below:

*i. I know what to do, I’ll be nice to some people so that when I lose my job, they will hire me.*

*ii. The master was impressed with how smartly the steward behaved.*

*iii. Then the steward said within himself, ‘What shall I do, I am going to lose my job?’*

*iv. He called every one of his master’s debtors and reduced what they owe.*

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* Friday 28th April: Read **Luke 16: 9-18** and answer the questions:

**The Parable of the Unjust Steward- continued**

*9“And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail,[*[*c*](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+16&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25630c)*] they may receive you into an everlasting home. 10He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. 11Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? 12And if you have not been faithful in what is another man’s, who will give you what is your own?*

*13“No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.”*

**Question 8**

It is important for us to only serve God and not the things in the world.

List 3 things that will get in the way of our relationship with God. The pictures are there to help you.

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### The Law, the Prophets, and the Kingdom

*14Now the Pharisees, who were lovers of money, also heard all these things, and they derided Him. 15And He said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of God.*

*16“The law and the prophets were until John. Since that time the kingdom of God has been preached, and everyone is pressing into it. 17And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one tittle of the law to fail.*

*18“Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery; and whoever marries her who is divorced from her husband commits adultery.*

**Question 9**

What do you think the following verse means? (hint: ‘justify’ means make excuses to others about something, ‘esteemed’ means being respected or admired for something and ‘abomination’ means something that is very unpleasing to someone.)

*And He said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of God.*

I think it means….

**Question 10**

When two people get married, it is a holy sacrament that we shouldn’t take lightly. Read Genesis 2:18-24 about the first marriage. Copy verse 24 which explains how marriage is intended to be permanent.

* Saturday 29th April : **Luke 16: 19-32** and answer the questions:

### The Rich Man and Lazarus

*19“There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. 20But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, 21desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell[*[*d*](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+16&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25642d)*] from the rich man’s table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. 22So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. 23And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.*

**Question 11**

Where was Jesus meaning when He said Lazarus went to Abraham when he died?

1. He was buried with Abraham from the Old Testament
2. He went to the waiting place called Paradise
3. He went back in time and lived with Abraham
4. He went to Heaven

***24****“Then he cried and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.’****25****But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented.****26****And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.’*

*27“Then he said, ‘I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father’s house, 28for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.’ 29Abraham said to him, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’ 30And he said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ 31But he said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.’”*

**Question 12**

Select TRUE or FALSE for the following statements:

1. The rich man was miserable in Hades and wanted the spirit of Abraham to visit his family and tell them to repent. **TRUE / FALSE**
2. Abraham agreed to warn the family of the rich man. **TRUE / FALSE**
3. The rich man was told that his family wont listen to Abraham because they already had many chances to repent and they didn’t. **TRUE / FALSE**

**Question 13**

Often we see people that need help or that are poor and ignore them. Jesus explains in the gospel of Matthew that by helping others, we are actually helping Jesus Himself as Jesus lives in all of us. Read Matthew 25:36-40 and copy Verse 40 below:

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