

Notes

Questions for Further Application:

If you're lost without a phone or GPS, there really are only two options. You can push on, choosing turns or places to go at random, or stop and ask someone for help and directions.

1. What happens if we ignore the guidance and directions Jesus gives us in his Word and try to figure it out ourselves?
2. How do we connect with God and ask him for directions when we're feeling lost, guilty and alone?
3. There are still many who wander lost and alone, or who are slowly losing sight of their Savior. What can you do in each of the following situations to help spread the gospel?
  - Personal life
  - As a congregation
  - Nationwide/Across the globe

## **Luke 15:1-10**

<sup>1</sup> Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. <sup>2</sup> But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

<sup>3</sup> Then Jesus told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> “Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders <sup>6</sup> and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’ <sup>7</sup> I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

<sup>8</sup> “Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins<sup>[a]</sup> and loses one. Doesn’t she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? <sup>9</sup> And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.’ <sup>10</sup> In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”