

Beautiful Accusation
Luke 15:1 – 10 / July 19, 2026
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Parables strike a chord very deep within us about God's Character

- God isn't Disdainful
- God is Welcoming
- Lostness resonates with the human heart
- Lostness sparks action
- This action stems from Worth
- Finding is glorious and worthy of celebration

A few words about Human Joy

- God has a good plan in place
- We can be filled with Joy Inexpressible
- Fruit of the Spirit
- Jesus wants us to have His Joy. He prayed for that.
- But in this broken world of lostness, let's consider that Joy in its fleetingness and hard-to-grasp-and-keepness, can always serve as a Signpost. The very ache of "Joy" tells us much:
 - C.S. Lewis quotes

A few words about God's Joy and Rejoicing

- Creation – It is good. (Gen 1 and 2)
- Agreement of Angels at creation – (Job 38)
- He rejoices in doing good to us – (Jer. 32:41)
- Passionate like a groom to a bride – (Is.62:3 – 5)
- Exuberant about us – (Zeph 3:17)

Apply:

- We can worship our God for His Welcoming Presence
- We can give thanks to God for the Worth He places on us, and all lost people
- We can embrace God's exuberant Joy over us