

Luke chapter 15

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A joyful chapter today! Joy over a lost sheep that was found, a lost coin that was found, and a lost son who was found. The theme is summed up in verse 7:

I 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.

The Bible says

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God

but also makes it clear that *repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ* (Acts chapter 20 verse 21) bring forgiveness and with it joy.

In just over a week's time as I write this, we will be hoping for a happy Christmas. Let's be sure we don't miss out on the joy that comes from faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour.