



Pre-K/Kindergarten Lesson

The Little Lost Lamb

(Parable of the Lost Sheep - Luke 15: 3-7)

'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.'

Objective: Children will learn that God never stops loving us.

1. **Materials Needed:**

- Children's Bible or storybook – "Nana's Bible Stories"
- Lost Sheep coloring page
- Printed lamb shapes on white 8 ½ x 11" cardstock (Pattern attached)
- Use scissors to cut out lamb shapes after printing
- White pompoms
- One wide tongue depressor for each lamb shape
- Elmer's glue
- Pencils

2. **Story time:** Children will listen to the story; *"The Little Lost Lamb"* (Nana's Bible Stories by Roberta Simpson, Thomas Nelson, 2007. Available at www.barnesandnoble.com) If this book is not available, you may read this parable from another children's Bible.

3. **Talk about it:** Children will answer questions that appear on the pages of the story.

4. **Lamb Craft Activity:** Children will make lamb stick puppets to use during the song.

The children will:

- a) Write their name in the blank space on the front of the sheep.
- b) Glue white pompoms on the front of the sheep being careful not to cover up their name or the scripture verse.
- c) Glue a wide tongue depressor on the back of the sheep to make a handle.

4. **Song:**

The Little Lost Lamb by Joanne Haney

(Sing to the tune of "If You're Happy and You Know It")

The children will hold their sheep puppets as we sing this song together.

One little sheep wandered away.
One little sheep wandered away.
One little sheep got lost.
He was weak and distraught.
One little sheep wandered away.

He heard the little lost lamb bleat.
He heard the little lost lamb bleat.
The shepherd picked him up.
The lamb got a great big hug.
He heard the little lost lamb bleat.

The shepherd went to look for the lamb.
The shepherd went to look for the lamb.
He left the ninety-nine.
Who were all doing fine.
The shepherd went to look for the lamb.

Jesus loves us no matter what.
Jesus loves us no matter what.
He made rules to help us.
We should listen and not fuss.
Jesus loves us no matter what.

5. **Scripture Verse:** 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.' – Luke 15:6

Parents will help their children practice saying this verse throughout the week. (This verse is printed on the sheep puppets.)

6. **Closing Prayer:**

Catechist/Teacher: Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd. You always forgive us when we are sorry for what we did. We thank you for loving us that much. Please continue watch over us, and when we get lost, find us and bring us home. We ask this in your name.

All: Amen.

7. **Take Home Activity:** Children will take home the lost sheep coloring page.