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Leeds Anglican Ministries
Stronger Together In Christ

VBS @ Home: The Sequel “Superhero Animals of the Bible”

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**Day 3
The Lost Sheep**



Welcome back!

In addition to today’s story crafts and snacks, please join us online and check out the extras there.

The videos launch each day at 9AM on

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The Story - The Lost Sheep

(based on Matthew 18:10-14 and Luke 15:3-7)

Superpower:

Can disappear, helps Jesus tell the story of how each of us is precious to God.

Jesus loved to tell stories!

He often taught people about what God is like by telling them stories about ordinary plants, creatures and places that were part of their daily lives.



Even folks from towns and cities where Jesus travelled and taught knew a lot about sheep and shepherds, because many people in that area had flocks of sheep.

Sheep and shepherds and flocks were things that he talked about a lot as he explained to people how much God loves each and every person.

Jesus asked the people what they would do if they lost one of their sheep, and then told this story:

Once there was a shepherd who had 100 sheep in his flock. One day he counted his sheep, and one of them was missing.



The shepherd was very upset that one of his sheep was missing. It didn't seem possible it wandered off and got lost.

It was like the sheep just disappeared! He was so upset that he left his other 99 sheep and went looking until he found his missing sheep



When he found the lost sheep, he was so happy!



He picked up the sheep, put it over his shoulder, and carried it all the way home.

When he got home, the shepherd was so excited that he'd found his missing sheep that he invited his friends to come and help him celebrate



When Jesus had finished telling the story, he explained to the people that the story of the lost sheep was to remind them that God loves every single person more than we can imagine. God does not want even one of us to get lost away from God's love, and God will always be searching for us if we feel lost, and will help us to get back to the safe place we belong.



How lovely that a lost sheep can help us to understand about God's love!

Thinking about the Story

Do you know anyone who is a shepherd and looks after sheep?

How do you think shepherds protect their sheep?

Have you ever played a game of hide-and-seek? Do you like to be the person who hides, or the one who seeks?

Have you ever really been lost? How did that feel? Who helped you find your way to safety?

How could you help someone who is lost?

Do you know any other stories or songs about how much God loves every single one of us? Is there someone you can tell those stories to or sing those songs to?

Prayer

Thank you dear Jesus, for your wonderful stories about God's love for every one of us, and thank you for telling us about superhero animals in your stories. Help us to treat each other with love, as part of your big flock. Amen.



The Parable of the Lost Sheep

The Lost Sheep

"Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?" Luke 15:4 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
L	D	M	A	T	H	Z	B	W	P	U	J	V	R	E	X	S	I	G	N	F	Y	Q	O	C	K

- 14-18-19-6-5-15-24-11-17 _____
- 21-24-11-20-2 _____
- 6-15-4-13-15-20 _____
- 10-4-14-4-8-1-15 _____
- 1-24-17-5 _____
- 21-14-18-15-20-2 _____
- 6-24-3-16 _____
- 14-15-10-15-20-5 _____
- 17-6-15-15-10 _____
- 14-15-12-24-18-25-15 _____

HEAVEN	RIGHTEOUS	FRIEND	SHEEP	REJOICE
HOME	PARABLE	LOST	REPENT	FOUND

The Lost Sheep

Luke 15:1-7

Word Search Puzzle

D H W G W J Q U R R S Q V N C
 F E X W X M L J E K E G T Z R
 O A D V Y V Q L J Z G P Y T I
 U V M S Z V T R O S C O E U G
 N E K H O M E V I Z H X F N H
 D N D E E J Q M C I K E L T T
 V G N Z U X W A E O I I E I E
 P O O F P A R A B L E B D P O
 J V P I F R I E N D S W J D U
 H T E N K E R B Z S C G E S S
 K Z R D K A G L K I G R G N D
 K B S O R C G I S N D B I M T
 M L O J B U Q R O N H K S S W
 G Y N G Y C O A U E C T O K C
 E W M E N H U H N R O L C C R

HOME	RIGHTEOUS	FIND	SHEEP	PERSON
HUNDRED	HEAVEN	FOUND	PARABLE	SINNER
ONE	LOST	REPENT	FRIENDS	REJOICE