

re-defining prodigal

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prodigal: part one

“Now the tax collectors and ‘sinners’ were all gathering round to hear Him. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, ‘This man welcomes sinners, and eats with them.’” Luke 15:1-2

two groups came to hear Jesus

- tax collectors and sinners
- pharisees and scribes

for two different reasons

- _____
- _____

“For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.” Luke 19:10 ^{NLT}

great thing: Jesus _____ about _____

three “lost” stories

xlost sheep: lost because of _____

xlost coin: _____ through the _____

xlost sons: _____ and _____

“In the same way, there is more joy in heaven over one lost sinner who repents and returns to God than over ninety-nine others who are righteous and haven’t strayed away!... In the same way, there is joy in the presence of God’s angels when even one sinner repents.” Luke 15:7&10 ^{NLT}

contagious joy because what
was _____ is now _____

“Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame...” Hebrews 12:2

prodigal

1. recklessly extravagant
2. having spent everything