



The Power Of One

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SCRIPTURES

Luke 15:4

Luke 15:8-9

Luke 15:11-12, 17-18


Matthew 10:6

Matthew 18:14

MAIN POINTS

- **The Power Of One - Reaching out to the individual**
Luke 15:4
"If you had one hundred sheep, and one of them strayed away and was lost in the wilderness, wouldn't you leave the ninety-nine others to go and search for the lost one until you found it?"
- **They are lost and they know it, they feel out of place, it's not home and they don't know how to get home.**
- **The Power Of One - The value of relationships are usually recognized when they are misplaced**
Luke 15:8-9
Or suppose a woman has ten valuable silver coins and loses one. Won't she light a lamp and look in every corner of the house and sweep every nook and cranny until she finds it? [9] And when she finds it, she will call in her friends and neighbors to rejoice with her because she has found her lost coin.
- **People are lost and they don't know it!**

Usually we disregard things or people we consider invaluable or when we don't need them any longer; after we have gotten what we've wanted.
- **The Power Of One - The Rejection of Being Isolated**
Luke 15:11-12,17-18
To illustrate the point further, Jesus told them this story: "A man had two sons. [12] The younger son told his father, 'I want my share of your estate now, instead of waiting until you die.' So his father agreed to divide his wealth between his sons. When he finally came to his senses, he said to himself, 'At home even the hired men have food enough to spare, and here I am, dying of hunger! [18] I will go home to my father and say, "Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you,

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THE APPLICATION OF THE MESSAGE

LEADER QUESTIONS

The Power Of One: They are lost and they know it, they feel out of place, it's not home and they don't know how to get home.

Do you have a list of individuals where you have recorded those that are pre-saved in your life?

Do you regularly pray for this list?

The value of relationships are usually recognized when they are misplaced: We usually disregard things or people we consider invaluable or when we don't need them any longer.

How can you make people feel valuable at church and in our everyday lives?

The Rejection of Being Isolated

Have you ever judged or rejected people that are prodigals or backslidden?

Have you ever felt judged, rejected or not accepted because you did not measure up?

How can we promote an atmosphere in our churches and in our small groups that makes people, even prodigals, feel welcome and accepted?

How can we as Christians maintain a loving attitude towards people in our everyday lives?

SCRIPTURE TO MEMORIZE

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