

## Lessons in Luke -- Lesson 8 – Jesus and the Older Brother –Who is really lost? – Part 3

### Introduction:

Simeon prophesied over baby Jesus that He would raise up many weak persons and bring down many proud persons (Luke 2:33-35). This week we finish Luke 15.

### Read this passage at least five times, then answer the questions as best you can:

<sup>25</sup> "Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> "So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. <sup>27</sup>

"And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.' <sup>28</sup> "But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him.

<sup>29</sup> "So he answered and said to *his* father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. <sup>30</sup> 'But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.' <sup>31</sup> "And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. <sup>32</sup> 'It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.'" (Luk 15:25-32 NKJ)

How many sheep were lost? How many coins? How many sons?

How are the sheep, coins, and sons alike? How are they different?

In verse 29 why is the elder brother angry? Was this true?

In verse 30 what other reason does the elder brother give for being angry? Was this true?

In verse 31 what reasons does the father give for making merry?

Look back at verses 1 and 2. Who is the younger son? The older son? The father?

Who really needs to repent? Why?