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Greetings in the name of our lovely Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ!

"What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it?" Luke 15:4... *"Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it?"* Luke 15:8... *"And he said, A certain man had two sons: (12) And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living."* Luke 15:11-12... *"And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him."* Luke 15:20

Recently these verse were the introduction of a message on "The Great Value Of The Lost And Found." Value is defined as "To estimate the worth of... To rate at a high price; to have in high esteem... to hold in respect and estimation... To consider with respect to importance," but practically speaking, value is determined by the price that is willing to be paid for an object desired.

In Luke 15, there is value expressed in the Lost Sheep, the Lost Silver and in the Lost Son.

- The value in the Lost Sheep was determined by the shepherd in verse 4.
- The value of the Lost Silver was determined by the woman in verse 8.
- The value of the Lost Son was determined by the father in verse 20.

But there is also value in the Faithful Shepherd, the Diligent Woman, and the Unchanging Father! All of which are reprehensive of God's love for us and our value that He determined, in so much that He was willing to pay the ultimate price... the sacrifice of His only Begotten Son, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ!

During the message, I mentioned how sad it is that so many in our world feel that they have no value in this life, even to the point that many resort to attempted or accomplished suicide. It is one of the greatest tragedies that someone never perceives God's love for them and their value to Him.

After the message, I had a young woman that shared, with precious tears streaming down her face, that she was at that point in her life for a long time, and that she had made such an attempt. But praise God in Heaven, she had found God's love and had accepted Christ as her Saviour!

I shared that to say this, THANK YOU! There are so many in this world that may not perceive the value in the investment that you have made, and continue to make in this ministry, in Montana, in this small Church... but praise God that you have determined the value in these precious souls, for you were willing to pay the price!

With the Love of Christ ~ Bro. John McKinney and Family

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