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Theme Unit: Enduring Beliefs of the Church

Unit I: Our GOD and the Holy Scriptures

Subject: Safe and Secure

Printed Text: Luke 15: 3-7; Romans 5: 6-10

Key verse:

If, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to GOD by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life (Romans 5: 10, KJV).

Lesson Pointers:

- 1) The Shepherd's Compassionate Search (Luke 15: 3-7)
- 2) The Lamb's Supreme Sacrifice (Romans 5: 6-10)

Introduction:

Safe and Secure is being saved, and protected from harm, rescued from danger; putting oneself in harms way for another. Jesus Christ, in HIS dual role as Shepherd and Sacrificial Lamb was equipped for this dual role from the world's foundation (Read 1Peter 1: 20), willingly putting Himself in harm's way to protect, rescue and save humanity from sin's condemnation. We humans are to be thankful for Jesus Christ respond to humanity's most urgent emergency; eternal separation from GOD because of sin. It is worth noting, that Jesus Christ gave HIS life by HIS sacrificial death on the cross; this is the ultimate act of bravery, that one would lay down his life for a friend; Jesus Christ paid the highest price to save us humans. It is Jesus Christ, our Shepherd and Lamb, who rescued us from sin, and secured hope, and give us second and third chances to experience abundant life now, and eternally.

Lesson Pointer # 1

- **The Shepherd's Compassionate Search (Luke 15: 3-7)**

Now, the Shepherd's Compassionate Search, is being told by Jesus Christ through a parable (Luke 15: 3). Jesus Christ said, "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)? This parable of the lost sheep, told by Jesus Christ is the response to the religious leaders latest critique of Jesus Christ's teaching. Jesus Christ taught the people by allowing them to see themselves in HIS teaching; using HIS audience to see themselves as shepherds who lost one of their sheep's, noting That if one of their sheep was lost would they not leave the rest and search for that one lost sheep. Jesus Christ goes on to say that when shepherd had found the lost sheep; he (shepherd) put the sheep upon his shoulders, and rejoices (Luke 15: 5). Now when the shepherd returns home with the sheep; he calleth his friends and neighbours, saying, rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost (Luke 15: 6). When a lost sinner repents, and turn to GOD, with evidence, angels in heaven rejoices over one sinner; than

over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance (Luke 15: 7). Jesus Christ is so compassionate in HIS search for the one lost sheep of HIS; that HE (Jesus Christ) does not give up on us (HIS sheep), no matter the sin; Jesus Christ is faithful and just to forgive our sins; if we only would repent. This is The Shepherd's Compassionate Search; Jesus Christ finds us, and we do not find HIM (Jesus Christ); for we are the lost ones not Jesus Christ.

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Lesson Pointer # 2

- **The Lamb's Supreme Sacrifice (Romans 5: 6-10)**

The Lamb's Supreme Sacrifice speaks of the benefits of Justification; being declared righteous through Jesus Christ's sacrificial death on the cross for our sins. Now as the sacrificial Lamb, Jesus Christ fulfilled the act of offering HIS life as a perfect sacrifice that pleases GOD the Father, atoning for our sins, making salvation and righteousness possible. Jesus Christ death on the cross provides evidence of GOD'S unconditional love; Agape Love (Romans 5: 6). Jesus Christ obedience to GOD demonstrated GOD'S love through Jesus Christ's death on the cross for unrighteous, and undeserving humans: For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die (Romans 5: 7). But GOD loved us so, that while we were yet sinners, Jesus Christ died for us; Showing HIS (GOD'S) unconditional LOVE for us sinners through HIS SON Jesus Christ's sacrifice for the ungodly (Romans 5: 8). Do note, that, Jesus Christ's blood that was shed on Calvary justified us and makes us righteous through HIS violent death; we are safe and secure from condemnation (Romans 5: 9). It is noted, that, through Jesus Christ's sacrifice we are made righteous, and is no longer GOD'S enemy. We are reconciled to GOD the Father through Jesus Christ's role as both Shepherd and sacrificial Lamb, and they are inseparable, and still functional: for if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to GOD by the death of HIS Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by HIS life (Romans 5: 10). The Lamb's Supreme Sacrifice; Jesus Christ, who paid it all through HIS shed blood on Calvary's hill.

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Nuggets of the Lesson:

- 1) Jesus Christ finds us, and we do not find HIM.
- 2) All the angels rejoice over one sinner, than over ninety and nine righteous persons who need no repents.
- 3) When we were without strength, at the right time, Jesus Christ died for the ungodly.
- 4) We were reconciled to GOD through the death of HIS Son, Jesus Christ, and much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by HIS life.
- 5) Jesus Christ justifies us, and declares us righteous, through HIS death on the cross.