

Gospel, Luke 15:1-10

The tax collectors and sinners, however, (1)..... all crowding round to listen to him, and the Pharisees and scribes (2)..... saying, 'This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he them this parable: 'Which one of you with a hundred sheep, if he (3)..... one, would fail to leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he (4)..... it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he (5)..... home, call together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner repenting than over ninety-nine upright people who have no need of repentance. 'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she (6)..... one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'