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Religious Studies-HOMEWORK #3

THEME: Love and Forgiveness-10 Marks

Read the curriculum notes at least twice, Then answer the questions.

A parable is an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. In Luke Chapter 15, Jesus told three parables about God's love and forgiveness. In the parable of the Lost Sheep, the shepherd left the other sheep and searched until he found the one sheep that was missing. There was a celebration with friends and others. The parable of the Lost Coin also teaches about love. A woman lost a coin. She searched carefully until it was found. She celebrated its discovery with family and friends. In the parable of the Lost Son, we learn about love and forgiveness. The son wasted his inheritance but found forgiveness when he returned home.

From the three parables identified in Luke 15, the following conclusions can be drawn about God's love and forgiveness: • God's love and forgiveness extend to all who are lost • God is seeking those who are lost • God forgives those who ask for forgiveness • God rejoices when someone repents. The following scriptures also support these ideas: Luke 19:10; Psalm 86:5 and I John 1:9.

Jesus' lessons about love and forgiveness should be applied to our daily lives. Jesus is love and if He lives in us we should love others. We should also forgive those who have wronged us. In the Lord's Prayer, Jesus taught us to say, "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." (Matthew 6:12) According to Matthew 18:21-22, we should forgive persons every time they trespass against us.

Prayer is a powerful medium through which we can ask God for forgiveness. God hears us and forgives us, but we must come to Him with a penitent heart.

1. What is a parable? _____

2. In the parable of 'The Lost Sheep', how did the shepherd demonstrate his love for his sheep?

3. Which sentence best summarizes the parable of 'The Lost Coin'?

4. From the three parables identified in Luke 15, the following conclusions can be drawn about God's love and forgiveness: • God's love and forgiveness extend to all who are lost • God is seeking those who are lost • God forgives those who ask for forgiveness • God rejoices when someone repents. State **TWO** scriptures which support the above.

Watch the video about 'The Lost Son'. Use information from the video as well as what you already know to answer the questions which follow.

5. Which son asked for his share of the family fortune and why?

6. Which sentence best summarizes the story?

7. The BIBLE tells us that we should also forgive those who have wronged us. Which sentence best supports this statement?

8. According to the Bible, we should forgive persons every time they trespass against us. Which scripture best supports this statement?

9. If someone wrongs you, how would you react towards them? Explain.



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