

DRAMA: "THE LOST SHEEP" (DRA009)

- Aim of Script:** To dramatize Luke 15:1-7.
- Use of Script:** In an All Age Worship service the script could be preceded by a short talk about losing things and the joy of finding them again.
- The script could be followed by teaching about the joy that Father God experiences when someone He has lost is found by Him. The teaching could be followed by a time of prayer, praying for those who don't yet know God's love.
- Main themes:** The lost sheep, God's heart of love, Evangelism
- Biblical references:** Luke 15:1-7
- Cast:** Narrator, Shepherd, a number of sheep. The "lost sheep" needs to be the smallest child!
- Props:** The sheep all wear white t-shirts. The shepherd wears appropriate dress and carries a crook. At the front of the church is a simple shelter made up of chairs and some material for the roof.

Narrator: Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering round to hear Jesus. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them". Then Jesus told them this parable.

Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep.

(Enter shepherd from the back of church with his "flock of sheep" behind him)

Shepherd: Come on Baaarney.....keep up. *(as walking towards the front of church)* Baaabara leave Eeewan alone. *(as Baaabara is jostling Eeewan)*

(As the shepherd reaches the front of the church, he turns round and sees that one of the sheep is limping)

Oh poor Baaartholomew it looks like you are limping..... let's have a look.

(lifts up Baaartholomew's foot and mimes removing a stone)

There you are that should feel better.

(Shepherd looks around the front of the church where there is a simple shelter built for the "sheep")

This looks like a good place to rest for the night. Now let's count you into this sheep pen.....1,2,3,4,.....96, 97, 98, 99. *(counts "sheep" into the shelter)*

Oh no.....one of my sheep is missing..... *(looks around the sheep)*. It's Laaambert. Laaambert is lost. Oh where is Laaambert?

(mimes looking around him for Laaambert)

Narrator: Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?

Shepherd: You are all safe here....I must go and find Laaambert.

(Shepherd walks down the church looking for his lost sheep, shouting "Laaambert." He even asks people if they have seen Laaambert. Eventually shepherd disappears from view.)

Narrator: Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home.

Shepherd: *(Shepherd re-appears carrying Laaambert on his shoulders. He walks to the front of the church shouting)*

I've found him, I've found Laaambert. I am so happy that I have found my lost sheep again. Rejoice with me that I have found my lost sheep.

Sheep: Hip hip Hooray, Hip hip hooray, Hip hip hooray.

Narrator: I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who do not need to repent.

(Exit Shepherd leading his sheep out)