



The Parables: The Lost Silver Coin
Luke 15: 8-10

LESSON SUPPLY LIST

- Bible w/ Marked Scripture
- Pencils
- Crayons
- Small Coin
- Copies of story cards, cut apart for each student
- Copies of cross word puzzle
- Copies of take home sheet for lesson over-view.

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Objective of Lesson:

All of God's people are like the lost coin. Even though they are lost, they have value to the Lord God their Father. He seeks them diligently as He brings them to repentance and brings them home with rejoicing!

Lesson Instructions:

1. Before the lesson starts, hide a small coin under a piece of furniture or the activity table.
2. Today we are going to learn a story called a Parable. Have you heard of a Parable? It is a story that our Lord Jesus Christ uses to teach us how He saves His people from their sins. In the story today He is using a lost coin.
3. The Bible tells us that one day there was a group of people gathered together to listen to the Lord Jesus Christ speak. In this group there were two types of people: one group was called the Pharisees and Scribes, and the others were called Publicans and Sinners. The Pharisees and Scribes were often joined together against the Lord Jesus. Oh, how they hated Him! They could not say anything good about our Lord Jesus. If they could find no fault with the things He did, then they complained about what He said. They even hated the people He kept company with!
4. On one occasion our Lord Jesus was keeping company with people who were known to be publicans and sinners. The Pharisees and Scribes got very offended. The Pharisees hated the publicans because they were friends of the Romans who ruled over them. They hated sinners because of their wicked lives. The Bible tells us: "The Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying, This Man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them." Perhaps even to us the Pharisees' accusation seemed reasonable. After all, why would Jesus keep company with such wicked men?
5. Jesus answered their murmurings with some wonderful parables. You may remember that a parable was an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. It is a story that illustrates how the Lord Jesus Christ saves His people from their sins.

6. Our Lord Jesus told them a parable of a woman who had ten pieces of silver and lost one of them. Why did the Lord use the example of a silver coin? He knew the Pharisees would understand that a piece of silver, even though lost, had some value to it. What an illustration this was for the proud Pharisees and Scribes! Jesus our Lord was telling them that even among these "publicans and sinners," there were those who had great value to Him, because they were given to Him by His Father.
7. What good lessons for us, and how humbling! Can a lost piece of silver come and find you if it is lost? No. The lost piece of silver could never find its owner, and lost sinners can never find their way to God. This story is an illustration of how the Lord loves and cares for His lost people - just like this lost coin!
8. I want you all to stand with me and help me act out this story. In the story, the woman first lit a candle (act like you are lighting a candle and it spreads light throughout the room); second, she swept the house (act like you are sweeping with a broom); third, she sought diligently until she found what she was looking for (act like you are moving furniture, looking under things, sweeping with your broom and you find the coin where you hid it in the beginning of the lesson). How she rejoiced when she found the coin and called her friends and neighbors to rejoice with her! (act like you found the coin and you rejoiced to find it, and then invite them all to a party to celebrate the finding of the lost coin!)
9. Our Lord Jesus repeated the wonderful words: "Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." That means, just like we lit a candle and swept and looked for the lost coin, so our Lord does the same for his lost and sinful people. Even though they are sinful and lost, they are very valuable to our Lord God. Just like we had a party when we found our lost coin, our Lord tell us in the Bible that even the angels in heaven celebrate when a lost sinner is found and brought to repentance.

Activities:

- Acting out of the parable: Find the lost coin hidden in the room.
- Color and put the story cards in order.
- Cross-Word Puzzle

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Take Home Overview Sheet**



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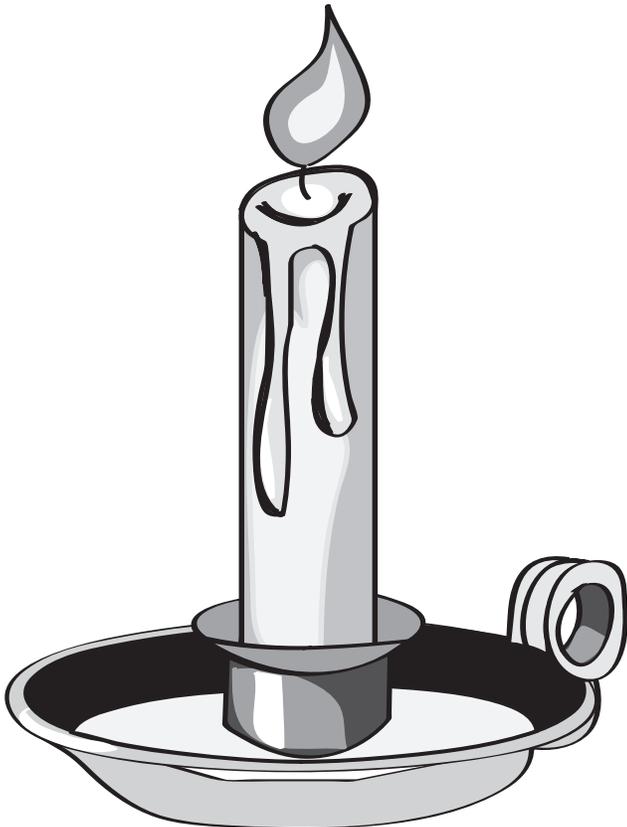
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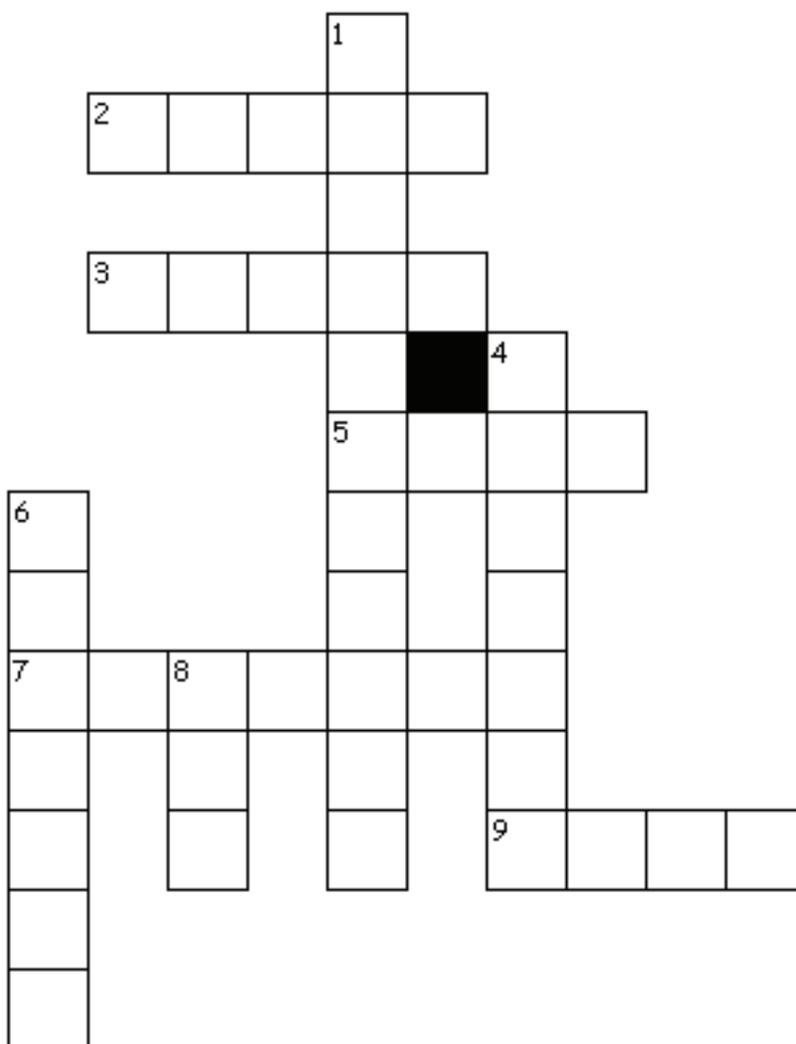
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Color, Cut apart and put the photos in order of the parable



The Lost Silver Coin Cross Word Puzzle



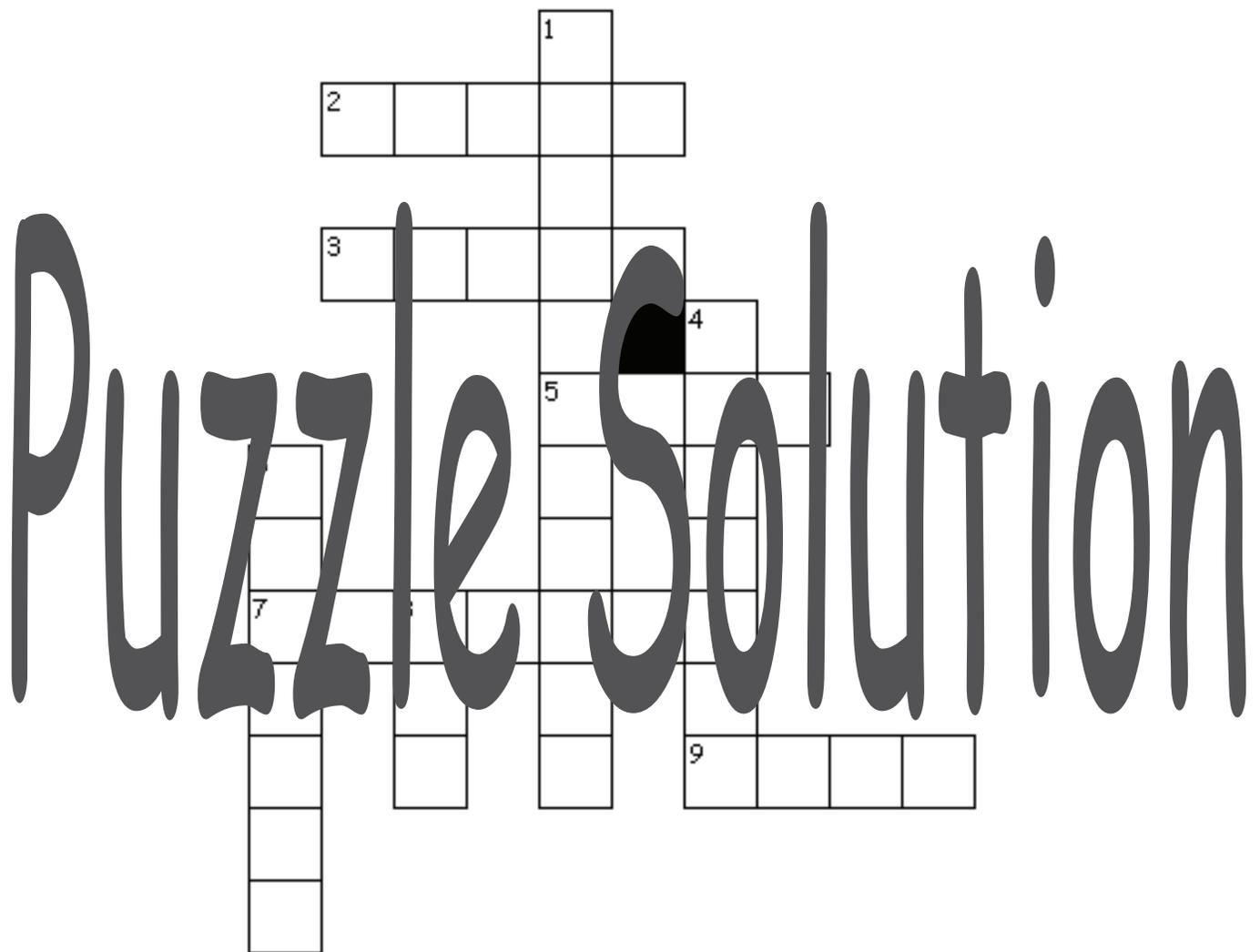
Across

2. All those _____ to Jesus Christ by God the Father shall be saved
3. Even though a silver coin is lost, is still has _____.
5. What object in the story is an illustration of the lost sinner?
7. And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying, _____ with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost.
9. The Lord will _____ His people until they are found.

Down

1. Who seeks the lost sinner and brings them home with rejoicing?
4. Jesus Christ came to seek lost _____?
6. A _____ is a story that our Lord Jesus Christ used to teach us how He saves His people from their sins
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Cross Word Puzzle



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4. Jesus Christ came to seek lost **SINNERS**?
6. A **PARABLE** is a story that our Lord Jesus Christ used to teach us how He saves His people from their sins
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