Youth News

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LEAD STORY HEADLINE:

SEEKING THE LOST

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“God said to Moses, “Go and talk to your people, for they have turned away from me.” Exodus 32:7
When dishonest tax collectors and sinners came to listen to Jesus, the Pharisees and other leaders were angry. They said, “This man, Jesus, talks to people who are sinners, and he even eats with them!” So Jesus told them these two parables. “Suppose you had a hundred sheep, and one of them got lost. Wouldn’t you leave the ninety-nine sheep that were safe and go looking for the one sheep that was lost? And when you found it, you would pick it up and carry it home. You would be so happy that you would call your friends and neighbours and say, ‘Come and celebrate with me because I have found my sheep that was lost!’ Well, God is just like that! And everyone in heaven will rejoice when even one person stops sinning and comes back to God.” Then Jesus said, “Now suppose a woman had ten very special coins, and she lost one of them in the house. Wouldn’t she turn on all the lights and sweep every room in the house until she found the coin? And when she found it, she would be so happy that she would call her friends and neighbours and say, ‘Come and celebrate with me because I have found the coin that I lost!’ “Well, God is just like that! And everyone in heaven will rejoice when even one person stops sinning and comes back to God.”

This is the Good News of the Lord.


BRAINSTORM...

What do you do when you lose something that is special to you? If you lose one of your toys do you replace it or do you look for it? When we have lost God, He looks for us and never gives up on us. Why do you think He does this when He has other people following him?

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. Do you remember a time when you had to apologize for doing something wrong? Did you feel better after you said sorry?

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2. Why do you think we should forgive others when they tell us they are sorry?

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LIKE A LOST SHEEP:

Sometimes we get lost just like the sheep in today’s story. There are many different ways that we can try to find God again as he also tries to find us. When you feel like you are losing God a little bit, pray this prayer to remind you that he is always with you no matter what! Make sure that you always know that even if you do get lost sometimes, God is always seeking you and hoping that you will find him too.

“He wakes me up; He makes me sleep. Provides for me the food I eat. When I cry, I call on Him, because I know with Him I win. Even through the hardest day, I trust in Him in every way. He’s the One who sees me through, Jesus lives, I know it’s true. With loving kindness, He smiles on me. Because He died, I am free. Lord, for all, I thank you so, I know you’ll never let me go!”


“Wouldn’t you leave the ninety nine sheep that were safe and go looking for the one sheep that was lost?” Luke 14:11

NOW ACT...

There are many ways you can help others come back to God! Talk to your peers about God and the Good News of the Lord and tell them about the story you learned today about the lost lamb!
Boredom Busters…

Today’s gospel talks about a lost sheep. Create your own sheep with the materials and instructions below:

Materials:
- Cotton Pad
- Cotton Balls
- White Glue
- Brown Construction Paper
- Brown Marker
- String

Instructions:
- Cut the brown construction paper in the shape of a lamb head, as well as two legs. Draw a face on the head and feet on the legs with the brown marker.
- Glue the head to the top of the cotton pad, and the feet to the bottom. Glue a cotton ball to the top of the head. Tie the string into a bow and glue it to the middle of the cotton pad. Now you should have a sheep! Make as many as you like to create your very own flock!

“Come and celebrate with me for the lost has been found.”

This is what you can make your sheep look like!