







Welcome Back!



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**Zec 1:3** Therefore tell the people: This is what the LORD Almighty says: 'Return to me,' declares the LORD Almighty, 'and I will return to you,' says the LORD Almighty.



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**Mat 11:28** "Come to me, all you who are  
weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.





Two messages





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1. A message for straying sheep





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1. A message for straying sheep

2. A message for shepherds



A man with dark hair and a beard is carrying a large, woolly sheep on his back. He is wearing a dark shirt and a heavy, fringed, light-brown wool blanket. The background is a rugged, mountainous landscape with grey rocks, patches of green and red vegetation, and a misty or rainy atmosphere. A white text box with a black border is overlaid on the image, containing the text "1. A message for straying sheep".

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# The Prodigal Son



A man with dark hair and a beard, wearing a brown jacket, is carrying a large, woolly white sheep on his back. He is standing on a rocky, grassy hillside. In the background, there are more rocky hills and a valley. The scene is set in a mountainous, rural area.

## The Prodigal Son

**Luk 15:20** So he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.



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The woman at the well



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## The woman at the well

**Joh 4:10** Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."



A man with dark hair and a beard is carrying a large, woolly sheep on his back. He is wearing a brown, fringed shawl or blanket. The background is a rugged, rocky mountain landscape with sparse vegetation and a valley in the distance. The name 'Zacchaeus' is written in a white box with a black border over the man's chest.

Zacchaeus



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## Zacchaeus

**Luk 19:1** Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through.

**Luk 19:2** A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy.

**Luk 19:3** He wanted to see who Jesus was, but being a short man he could not, because of the crowd.

**Luk 19:4** So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.



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Zacchaeus

Wealthy – but not at peace  
Worldly things do not satisfy  
Needed to encounter Jesus



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## Zacchaeus

**Luk 19:5** When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "**Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.**"

**Luk 19:6** So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.



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Zacchaeus

Jesus calls out to Zacchaeus  
Zacchaeus welcomes Jesus





## Zacchaeus

**Luk 19:7** All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a "sinner.""

**Luk 19:8** But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount."

**Luk 19:9** Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham."

**Luk 19:10** For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost."



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Zacchaeus

Mutterers object  
Zacchaeus is undeterred  
Jesus restores a lost sheep!



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1. A message for straying sheep



A man with dark hair and a beard, wearing a brown knitted sweater, is carrying a large, woolly white sheep on his back. He is standing on a rocky, mossy mountain slope. The background shows a vast, misty mountain range with green patches and grey rocks.

## 1. A message for straying sheep

**Rom 6:21** What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death!



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## 1. A message for straying sheep

**1Pe 4:3** For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do—living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry.



A man with dark hair and a beard, wearing a brown sweater, is holding a large, fluffy white sheep. They are in a mountainous, rocky landscape with sparse vegetation. The background shows a steep, rocky hillside with some green patches and a valley in the distance.

## 1. A message for straying sheep

**Isa 1:18** "Come now, let us reason together," says the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool."

**Isa 1:19** If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the best from the land;

**Isa 1:20** but if you resist and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword." For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.



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## 1. A message for straying sheep

**Act 3:19** Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.



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## 2. A message for shepherds



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## 2. A message for shepherds

**Gal 6:1** Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.

**Gal 6:2** Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.



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**Gal 6:1** Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.

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A message for all who are spiritual!





“I desire mercy, not sacrifice.”

**Mat 9:10** While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and "sinners" came and ate with him and his disciples.

**Mat 9:11** When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?"

**Mat 9:12** On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick.

**Mat 9:13** But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."



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“I desire mercy, not sacrifice.”

Eat with sinners  
Call them to repentance  
Do it gently!



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“I desire mercy, not sacrifice.”

**Mat 23:13** "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You shut the kingdom of heaven in men's faces. You yourselves do not enter, nor will you let those enter who are trying to.



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“I desire mercy, not sacrifice.”

Some were trying to return to God  
Pharisees made it harder than necessary  
Woe to those who do that!





“I desire mercy, not sacrifice.”

**Jas 2:12** Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives freedom,  
**Jas 2:13** because judgment without mercy will be shown to anyone who has not been merciful. Mercy triumphs over judgment!



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Judged by what kind of law?

- The law that gives freedom
- Therefore be merciful!



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God is merciful

- We must not be unmerciful in the name of God!!!





Unexpected mercy!

**Joh 8:2** At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them.

**Joh 8:3** The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group

**Joh 8:4** and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery.

**Joh 8:5** In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?"

**Joh 8:6** They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him.



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Unexpected mercy!

Two conflicting goals:

- Pharisees wanted judgment by the law
- Jesus desired mercy, not sacrifice



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Unexpected mercy!

**Joh 8:6b** But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger.

**Joh 8:7** When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, **"If any one of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her."**

**Joh 8:8** Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.



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Unexpected mercy!

Jesus exposed their hypocrisy

- Pharisees also needed mercy
- Yet they were not being merciful to the woman



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Unexpected mercy!

**Joh 8:9** At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there.

**Joh 8:10** Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"

**Joh 8:11** "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."



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Unexpected mercy!

The conflict de-escalates

- Why “the older ones first?”
- Jesus gives the woman mercy
- “Go and leave your life of sin”



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“Then neither do I condemn you.”



A man with dark hair and a beard, wearing a brown, fringed shawl, carries a white sheep on his back. He is standing in a rugged, mountainous landscape with large grey rocks and sparse vegetation. The background shows a steep, rocky slope under a cloudy sky.

“Then neither do I condemn you.”

Is this how you want God to deal with you?



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“Then neither do I condemn you.”

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What matters most to God?

**Mat 23:23** "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices —mint, dill and cummin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.



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What matters most to God?

**Mic 6:6** With what shall I come before the LORD and bow down before the exalted God? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

**Mic 6:7** Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

**Mic 6:8** He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.



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What matters most to God?

Justice

Mercy

Faithfulness

Walk humbly with God



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Conclusion





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We are here to help!