



Parables 8

2/26/23

Luke 15:1-10

1. Drew's sermon focused on the parables of the lost coin and lost sheep. The context for these parables is that the other religious leaders are angry at Jesus because he was eating with sinners and tax collectors. These two groups of people were seen as outcasts in their society: tax collectors were sellouts to the Roman government who were extortioners, and sinners were those who knowingly walked outside of God's law, such as prostitutes or slave traders.

**Who are these "outcasts" in our modern society? In other words, who should we invite to eat with us?

**Would people like these feel welcomed at our church? If so, why? If not, what needs to change?

2. Forefront's vision for the rest of 2023 is "For the One." This is a double meaning. First of all, we are for the one which is God. But second, we are for the one sheep or the one coin that is lost. Drew challenged us to think about one person in whom we can invest so that we may show them the love of God and they may come to faith in Jesus.

**Who is your one?

**How are you going to evangelize the one?

**What challenges or hurdles do we have to overcome for the one?

**How can others in the life group help you reach the one?

**What resources can the church provide to equip you to reach the one?