

DAY 5

- ▶▶ **BIBLE STORY:** Parable of the Lost Sheep, Luke 15: 1-7
- ▶▶ **BOTTOM LINE:** I can have confidence to make a difference, because Jesus loves me.
- ▶▶ **LIFE APPLICATION:** Confidence = Learning to see yourself the way God sees you.

ESCAPED SHEEP ROUND-UP

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Cotton ball
- Straws

WHAT YOU DO:

- **Step 1:** Blow through the straw to move the cotton ball sheep. Experiment with what works best such as, what angle to have the straw, moving it closer and farther away from the cotton ball.
- **Step 2:** Race your sheep. Set up a table with a starting line and a finish line, with some obstacles for them to navigate around. Kids can try to get their “lost sheep” back to its “home” across the finish line.

WHAT YOU SAY:

“How much does Jesus love you? (*allow for responses*) Jesus loves you so much. In our lesson today, we learned that He would go out, search, and find anyone who is lost. He loves everyone that way. When you get home and play with your “lost sheep,” remember that Jesus loves you as much as the shepherd loved his sheep.

[Make it Personal Parents] (*Tell a story of a time when you felt deeply loved by God because of someone else.*)

Was there a time when you felt extra loved by God because of something someone else did? (*allow for responses*) You can make a difference in someone’s life by loving them the way Jesus does.

Let’s say today’s **[Bottom Line]** together, **“I can have the confidence to make a difference.”**

CONFIDENCE TELEPHONE

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Two paperclips
- Two paper cups
- About 3 yards of string
- Pin



WHAT YOU DO:

- **Step 1:** Using a pin or other sharp item to poke a small hole in the center of the base of both cups.
- **Step 2:** Tie one paperclip to one end of the string. Pull the other end of the string through the hole in one of the paper cups. The paperclip should be inside the paper cup.
- **Step 3:** Insert the other end of the string through the hole in the bottom of the second paper cup. Insert it from the outside end of the cup. Pull enough string through the hole to enable you to tie the second paperclip to the end of the string.
- **Step 4:** Pull the cups apart so that in each cup the paperclip rests flat on the floor of the cup and the string is tight
- **Step 5:** Take one cup, and have a family member take the second cup. Walk away from each other until the string is taut. Take turns speaking into the cup while the other listens thru their cup. Try taking turns re-telling the story of the Lost Sheep.

WHAT YOU SAY:

“You are a storyteller! And when you tell the story of Jesus, you are making a difference. You can tell people how much Jesus loves them. Today’s craft is a fun way to be confident and tell your family and friends about The Lost Sheep. Now that you know how to make these, you can make your own about any Bible story you want to tell.

Let’s say today’s *[Bottom Line]* together: *“I can have the confidence to make a difference.”*

END BY RECITING THE MEMORY VERSE: My Command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. John 15:12