

Gilead Group - Prayer Meeting - April 28, 2013

The Parable of the Lost Coin

Reading: Luke 15: 1-10

Luke 15 is called the Gospel within the Gospel as it contains the message of the whole Gospel, which is the Salvation of a lost sinner. This chapter has three stories of 'losing'.

V 1-10 tells the story of losing one out of a hundred

V 8-10 tells about the story of losing one out of ten and

V 11-32 tells about losing one out of two.

V 8-10 Parable of the Lost Coin - The Lost coin is a repenting sinner.

Features of the coin:

- It has a value – Psalm 8: 5, 6 says, “You made him (man) a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.” Every human being is valuable in the eyes of the Lord.
- Coin is used for exchanges or transactions – It has a purpose. In a Christian life many transactions happen. People lose money, time and talent for others willingly.
- Coin has the imprint of its authority – Every human being is expected to reflect the image of his/her owner, who is God, the creator.

A Lost coin is a coin which is falling off its expected position to a lower level. It was in the company of many other coins. But as it falls down it is lost in the darkness outside. It is now smeared in the 'dust' of the world.

The woman representing Jesus, starts searching for the lost sinner with the light of the Gospel. Once she finds the coin she cleans the coin off all the dust. Every sinner needs to be washed in the blood of Christ to be cleansed.

Reflection time:

Where am I now?

Am I with my owner or in the soil or dust or darkness?

Am I in the company of redeemed people?

Am I valuable, exchangeable?

Am I reflecting my Lord?