

Richard Ellis

Opener



Watch: the Richard Ellis film.

Question: What did you like or identify with in Richard's story?
What did you not like or find confusing about Richard's story?
What did you learn about people or God from Richard's story?

Hear the Bible *Read this yourself or with a group*

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

Then Jesus told them this parable: "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?"

And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

Luke 15:1-7 (NIV)

Talk about the Bible

What it says

1. What did you like about this Bible story?
2. What did you not like or find confusing about this story?

What it means

3. What does this story teach about people? What storms do you have in your life?
4. What does this story teach about God?

Live and Tell

5. How, specifically, are you going to live out today's discussion? Is there a storm in your life you need to turn over to Jesus?
6. Who will you tell? With whom will you have a spiritual conversation about today's story?

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