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# LOSTNESS

Luke 15:1-32





# LUKE

## 15:1-32

1 Now the tax collectors and sinners were **all drawing near** to hear him. 2 And the **Pharisees** and the **scribes grumbled**, saying, "This man **receives sinners** and **eats** with them." 3 So he told them this parable: 4 "What man of you, having a **hundred** sheep, if **he has lost one of them**, does not **leave the ninety-nine in the open country**, and go after **the one that is lost, until he finds it**? 5 And when he has found it, he **lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing**. 6 And **when he comes home**, he **calls together his friends** and his **neighbors**, saying to them, '**Rejoice with me**, for I have **found my sheep that was lost**.' 7 Just so, I tell you, there will be **more joy in heaven ...**



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over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. 8 "Or what woman, having **ten silver coins**, if she loses one coin, does not **LIGHT A LAMP** and **SWEEP** the house and **SEEK DILIGENTLY** until she finds it? 9 And when she has found it, she **calls together her friends and neighbors**, saying, '**Rejoice with me**, for I have **found the coin that I had lost.**' 10 Just so, I tell you, **there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.**" 11 And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. 12 And the **younger** of them said to his father, '**Father, give me the share of property** that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them.



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13 Not many days later, the younger son **gathered all he had** and took a journey into a **far country**, and there he **squandered** his property in **reckless living**. 14 And when he had spent everything, a **severe famine** arose in that country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and **hired himself out** to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his **fields to feed pigs**. 16 And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. 17 "But when he came to himself [**CAME TO HIS SENSES**], he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have **more than enough bread**, but I perish here with hunger!



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18 I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "**Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.**" 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants." ' 20 And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and **RAN** and **EMBRACED** him and **KISSED** him. 21 And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' 22 But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet.



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23 And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. 24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was LOST, AND IS FOUND.' And they began to celebrate. 25 "Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. 27 And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.'



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28 But **he was angry** and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, 29 but he answered his father, 'Look, these **many years** I have **served you**, and I **never disobeyed** your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' 31 And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. 32 It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.' "



- 1. Types of lostness?*
- 2. Questions we should ask in our lostness.*
- 3. How do we pursue those that are lost?*





# 1 FOUR TYPES OF LOSTNESS



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## 1. *Unintentional wandering off*

The sheep.





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## 2. *Unconscious lostness*

The coin.

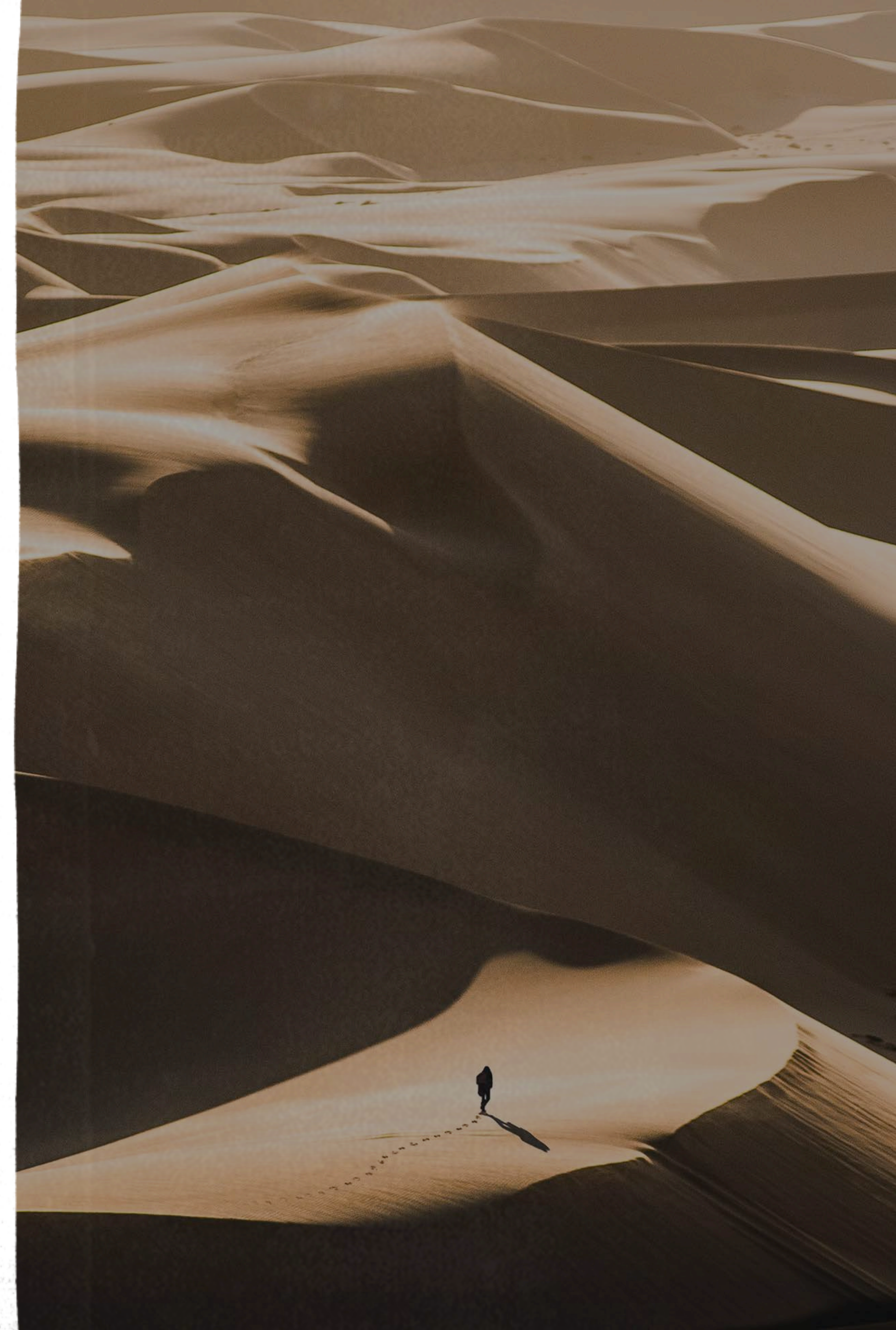




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## 3. *Active rebellion*

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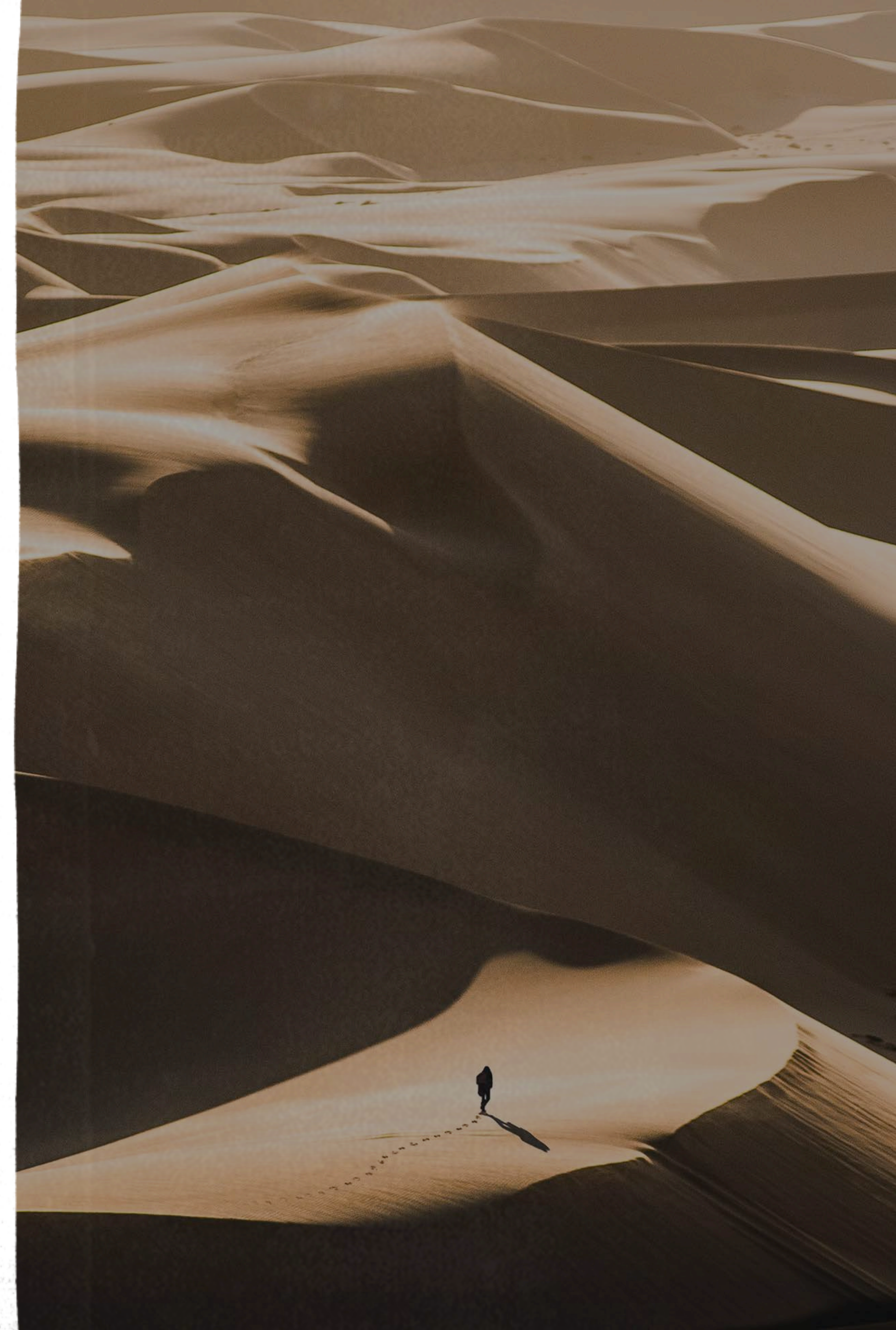




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# 2 QUESTIONS WE SHOULD ASK IN OUR LOSTNESS.





## QUESTIONS WE SHOULD ASK IN OUR LOSTNESS

*Where is the Shepherd?*

*Where is the flock?*

*Where is my home?*





## QUESTIONS WE SHOULD ASK IN OUR LOSTNESS

*What is my Father like?*

*What am I like?*





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*Can I have a party?*





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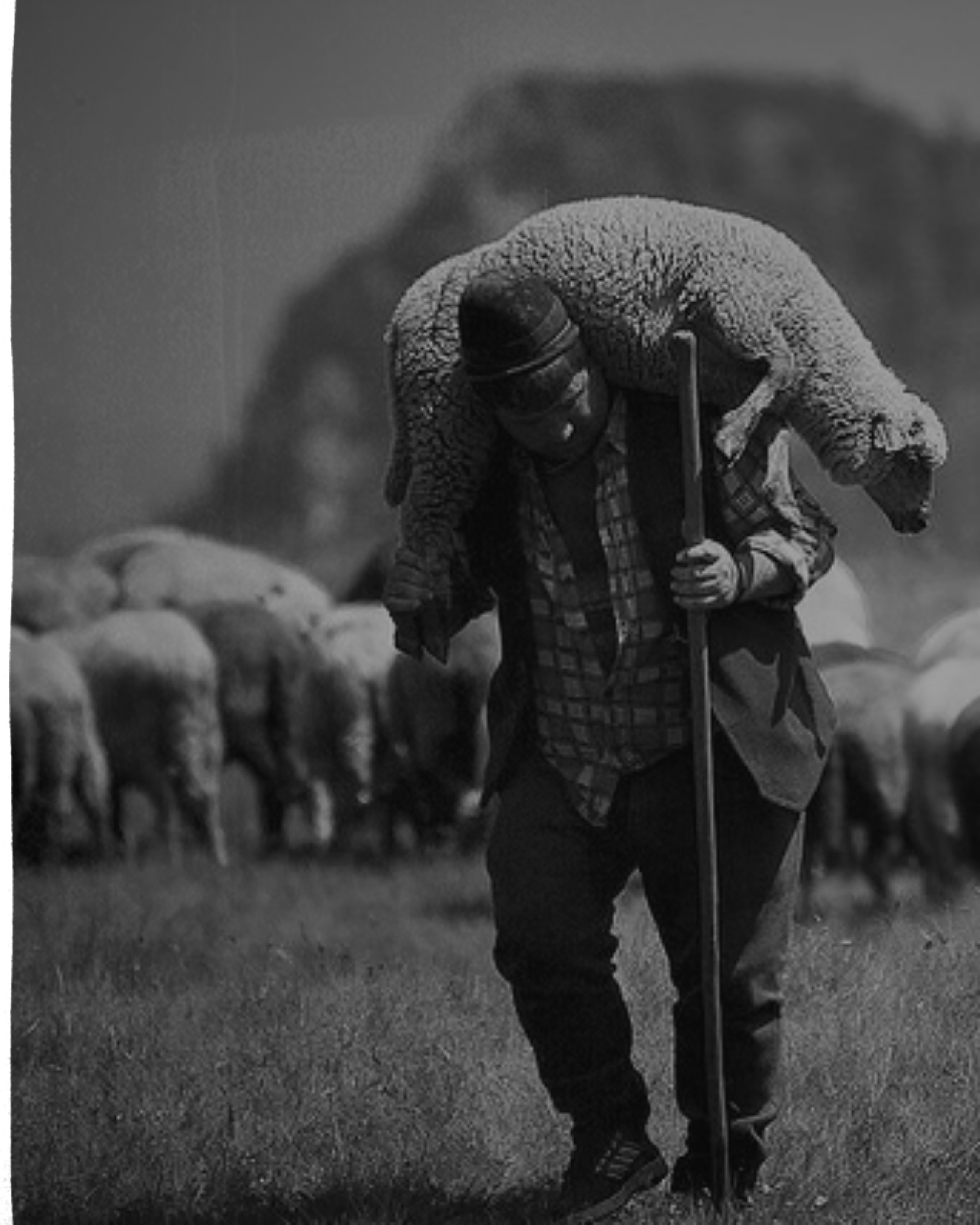


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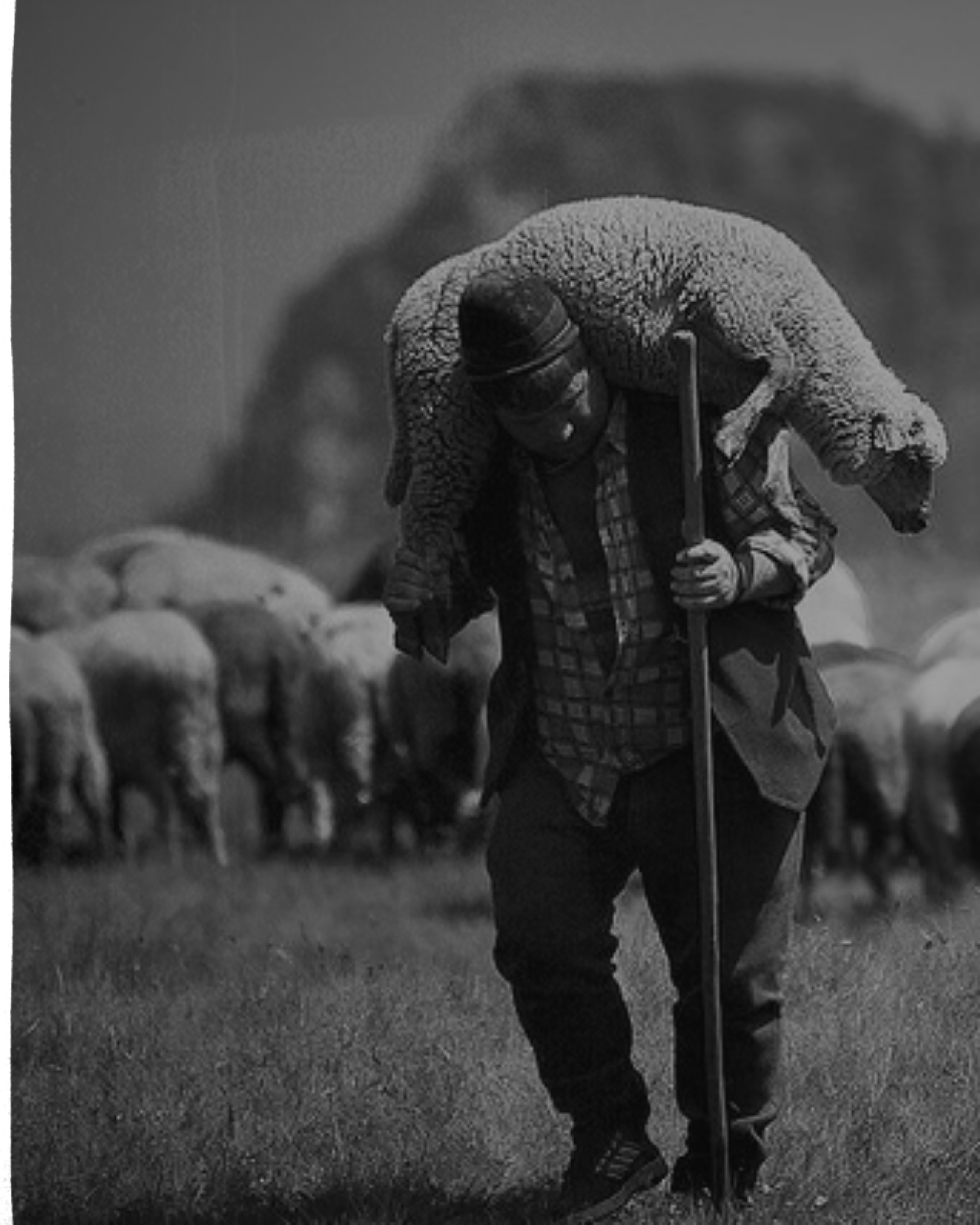
*Godly wisdom*





**HOW DO WE PURSUE THOSE THAT ARE LOST?**

*Diligence, sacrifice,  
tenderness, and patience.*





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