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Colossians 1:12-14

“Jesus the Rescuer”

I. Jesus was sent behind enemy lines on a rescue mission.

12 giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. 13 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed [us] into the kingdom of the Son of His love, 14 in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. - **Colossians 1:12-14 NKJV**

18 "The Spirit of the LORD [is] upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to [the] poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to [the] captives And recovery of sight to [the] blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; 19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD." - **Luke 4:18-19 NKJV**

II. Jesus came to rescue and rejoice over the lost sheep.

4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which 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 neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!' 7 "I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance. - **Luke 15:4-7 NKJV**

III. We should do likewise.

37 And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise." - **Luke 10:37 NKJV**