



One man's trash is another
man's treasure.

Luke 15:1-2

1 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. 2 But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."



The Parable of the Lost Sheep

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Three Observations

- ▶ A sheep manages to lose its way far from the shepherd
- ▶ The shepherd makes a great effort to save the one lost sheep
- ▶ The shepherd celebrates over the sheep that was lost but now found

Luke 15:3-7

³ Then Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ “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? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷ 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.



**A Sheep Manages
To Lose Its Way Far
From The Shepherd**

How Did I Get Here?



Who Does the Bible Tell us are Sheep?

Isaiah 53:6

"We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all."

Matthew 9:36

When Jesus looked at the crowds of people, his reaction was deeply tied to this imagery: "When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd."

1 Peter 2:25

"For 'you were like sheep going astray,' but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls."

**The Shepherd
Makes A Great
Effort To Save The
One Lost Sheep**

Didn't Cut His Losses



Stuck to it Till the End



Who Does the Bible Tell us is the Shepherd?

Psalm 100:3

"Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture."

Ezekiel 34:11-12

"For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness."

John 10:14-15

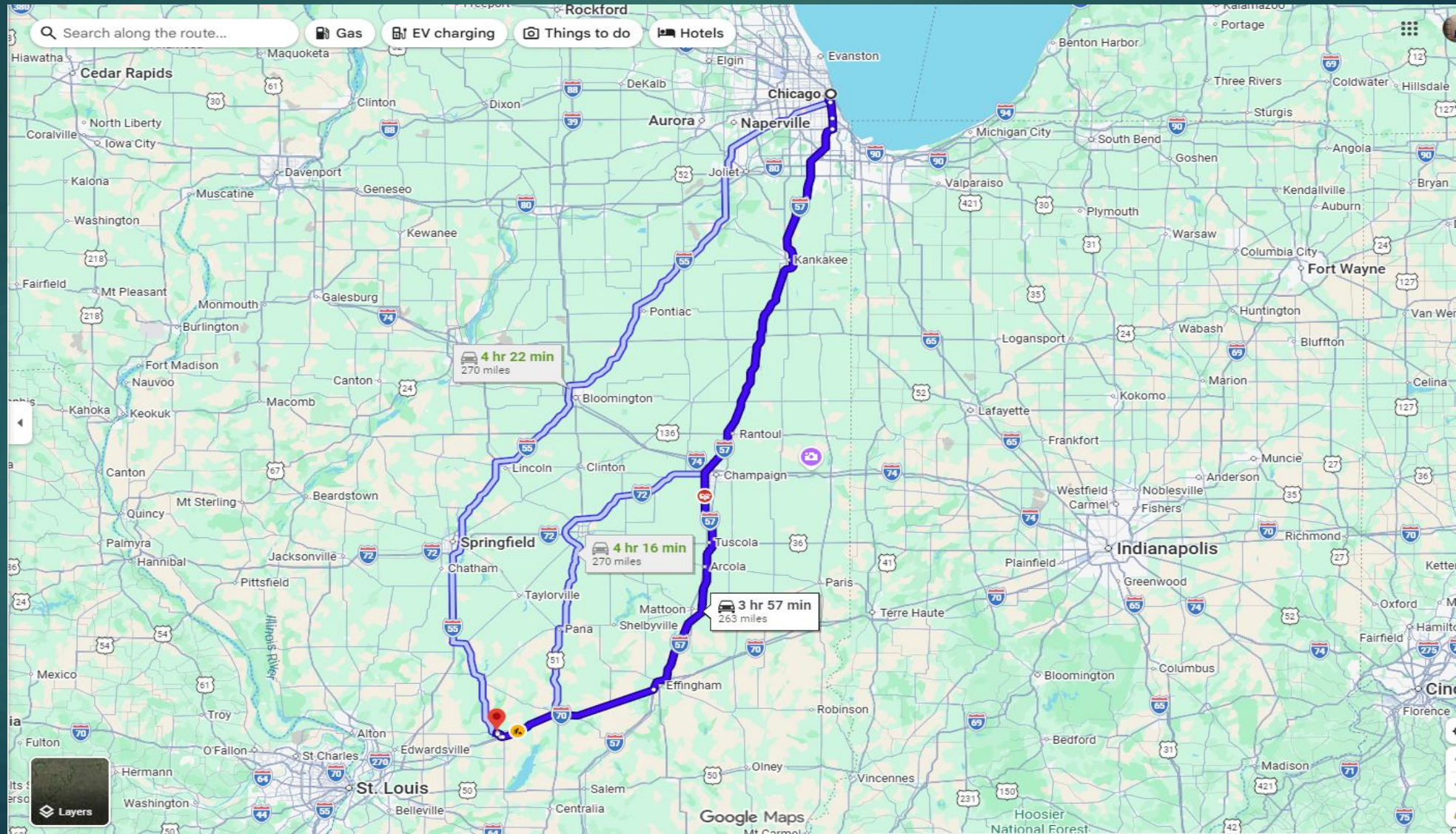
¹⁴ "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—
¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep.

The Reason For Laying Down His Life

1 John 3:16a

¹⁶ This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us...

When Someone We Love is Lost We Want To Bring Them Home



**The Shepherd
Celebrates Over
The Sheep That Was
Lost But Now Found**

Celebration Ensues



A Different Celebration



How Do We Get Here?

John 10:1-4


1 “Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. 2 The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.




Conclusion




Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)




Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now I'm found,
Was blind but now I see.




'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed!




My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, My Saviour has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns.
Unending love, amazing grace.



The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.



My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, My Saviour has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns.
Unending love, amazing grace.




The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
The sun forbear to shine.
But God, who called me here below,
Will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.

Benediction



24 “““The Lord bless you and keep you;
25 the Lord make his face shine on you and be
gracious to you;
26 the Lord turn his face toward you and give
you peace.””



Christ above us Christ beside us
Christ within us Ever guiding
Christ behind us Christ before
Christ our love our life our Lord