

The lost sheep.

This dialogue can be performed either as a ventriloquism skit or as a puppet play using a human and a sheep puppet. I normally perform this after telling a 'fun' lost sheep story along the same lines. This story can be found on <http://mauricesweetsur.blogspot.com/> , or you may email me on mnmsweetsur@xtra.co.nz for a copy.

Self. I would like to introduce you to a friend of mine. This is Shaun the sheep. Say 'Hello' Shaun.

Shaun. Baaah.

Self. Thank you Shaun. I have brought Shaun along to our class today because he tells me that he's the very sheep we were hearing about in the story - the sheep that ran away. Is that true Shaun?

Shaun. Baaah.

Self. Thank you Shaun, I thought it was. Now Shaun, will you tell these boys and girls your side of the story?

Shaun. Baaah.

Self. Thank you very much Shaun, I knew you would. Firstly Shaun, what made you run away?

Shaun. Baaah.

Self. Sounds like you just wanted to do what you wanted instead of what the Sheperd said. That's like a lot of boys and girls today. They just want to go their own way, and don't listen to their parents, teachers, or even God. What happened after you ran away?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Oh... dear, it got darker! Well it does get dark at night Shaun, but what happened next?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. And darker? Wow

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Yes, ok and darker.... I think we all understand that Shaun. It was very dark, but what happened next?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Oh and colder... I see. It was cold as well as dark that night. What happened next?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Yes and colder , and then?

Shaun. Baaah.

Self. I am sure we all understand that Shaun. It was very dark and very cold, and you must have been very frightened by now. But what happened next?

Shaun. Baaah Baaah

Self. Oh Shaun, you heard a LION? that must have terrified you. What happened next?

Shaun. Baaah Baaah

Self. Oh Shaun! You hear a wolf! A wolf as well as a lion. What did you do?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Yeah, You RAN, I'm not surprised. I think that if I were on my own on a cold, dark night and I heard a lion and a wolf, I would run and run and run. What happened next?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Yes you kept running, and then?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Yes you ran some more Shaun, but after you ran and ran and ran, and ran and ran and ran, and ran and ran and ran and ran, what happened next?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Oh Shaun you ran into a thistle!, that must have been very painful for you. What happened next?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. You ran into the Good Shepherd. That's right, he came out on that cold, dark night just to look for you. Did he give you a row for running away?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. O Wow, He just picked you up and carried you home! I expect that was when you got a row for running away?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Wow, He threw a party! The Good Shepherd was so happy at finding you that he invited all his friends, relatives and neighbours to celebrate with him. What do you think of the Good Shepherd now?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Sounds like you realize now how much He cares for you. Will you ever run away again?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. Good, I think you have learned your lesson.

Shaun. Baaah

Self. O ok, I can understand, He's calling you to help with another lost sheep? We understand that Shaun. You need to obey your Good Shepherd!

Shaun. Baaah

Self. We will if we can Shaun. What is your question to us?

Shaun. Baaah

Self. O dear, I know where I go to get a hair cut, but where would a sheep go to get a wool cut? - - - - - I think you will have to give us the answer Shaun.

Shaun. Baa Baa's!

Self. Of course, the sheep goes the the Baaah Baaahs lol. Good bye Shaun.

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

Luke 15:1-7 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."

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.

Boys and Girls, are YOU a lost sheep? A Lost Sheep is someone who doesn't know Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

Maybe you know some people who don't know the Good Shepherd? Will you help them find their way to Jesus the Good Shepherd?

Come to the altar and an adult will pray with you... either for you to come to know the Good Shepherd OR to pray with you for a friend.