

“FOR THE WANDERING”

*–Modeling the Father’s heart for those needing direction–
Selected Scriptures*

Introduction:

I. Everyone _____.

A. Wandering is a metaphor used in Scripture as a characteristic of the _____. (Isa. 53:6; 1 Peter 2:25)

1. Unbelievers usually don’t see how far off the right path they really are.

B. Wandering can be a characteristic among _____, too.

1. The Old Testament offers examples of when God’s people wandered.

2. The New Testament offers examples of this.

- C. If we are honest, we can identify seasons when we’ve wandered, too.

II. God has _____ for those who wander.

A. We see examples of this throughout Scripture:

1. We find examples of this in the OT. (Deut. 30:4; Isa. 54:7; Ezek. 34:4)

2. We find examples of this in the NT. (Matt. 18:12ff)

B. We see examples of this in our lives, too.

III. We model God’s heart for those who wander by being compassionate to them. (Matt. 18:12-14)

A. Developing a compassionate heart for the wanderer:

1. Be _____.

2. Take _____.

3. Discover _____.

*(Answers: I.wanders; I.A.unsaved; I.B.God’s people; II.compassion;
IIIA.I.aware; 2.action; 3.joy)*