

Good morning, this is Michael De Rosa and today I want to talk with you about how a gut wrenching news story reminded me of one Great Rescue Operation

First the story:

On September 13, Hannah Graham, from the

<u>University of Virginia disappeared</u>. The School, the police, community members, and the parents are doing all they can to bring her back.

In the midst of the rescue efforts for Hannah, I was quickly reminded of another Rescue Effort. Let me read the Biblical text, Luke 15, verses 3-6

³ Jesus spoke to them using this illustration: ⁴ "Suppose a man has 100 sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the 99 sheep grazing in the pasture and look for the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ When he finds it, he's happy. He puts that sheep on his shoulders and ⁶ goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says to them, 'Let's celebrate! I've found my lost sheep!'

Each one of us –and that includes Hannah Graham- without belief in Christ are MIA's, being held captive by Evil Itself. Yet God in Christ spared no expense in His rescue operation that was completely successful for all who believe.

So, I would ask you, dear Christian, to do two things:

- to keep Hannah and her family and friends in your prayers for them to know the Safety of God's presence and...
- to be mindful of those in your sphere of influence who still need to come home to God