

*Joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance. Luke 15:7*

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THE NINETY AND NINE irregular with repeat  
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1. There were nine - ty and nine that safe - ly lay In the  
 2. "Lord, thou hast here thy nine - ty and nine; Are  
 3. But none of the ran-somed ev - er knew How  
 4. "Lord, whence are those blood-drops all the way That  
 5. But all thro' the moun-tains, thun - der - riv'n, And

shel - ter of the fold, But one was out on the  
 they not e-nough for thee?" But the Shep-herd made an - swer:  
 deep were the wa - ters crossed; Nor how dark was the night that the  
 mark out the moun-tain's track?" "They were shed for one who had  
 up from the rock - y steep, There a - rose a glad cry to the

hills a - way, Far off from the gates of gold - A -  
 "This of mine Has wan-dered a - way from me, And al -  
 Lord passed thro' Ere he found his sheep that was lost.  
 gone a - stray Ere the Shep-herd could bring him back." "Lord,  
 gate of heav'n, "Re - joice! I have found my sheep!" And the

way on the moun-tains wild and bare, A - way from the ten - der  
 though the road be rough and steep, I go to the des-ert to  
 Out in the des-ert he heard its cry - Sick and help-less, and  
 whence are thy hands so rent and torn?" "They're pierced to - night by  
 an - gels ech-oed a-round the throne, "Re - joice, for the Lord brings