

INTRODUCTION

PART 6: LOST AND FOUND

Everyone has doubts about God. We are not expected to believe based solely on a collection of ancient manuscripts. The foundation of our faith is anchored to something far more substantial and sustainable.

KEY SCRIPTURE

Luke 15:1-12,18-20,22,24,29-30,32

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Which way do you lean: Self-Righteous? Unrighteous?
- 2. Why are we quick to size some people or some types of people up and write them off?
- 3. Read Luke 15:1-7 aloud. What key words or phrases stand out to you in this parable?
- 4. Now, read Luke 15:8-10. What do you notice about this parable as compared to the one before it? In verses 7 and 10, what was Jesus trying to communicate about God's priorities?
- 5. Luke 15:11-31 is a parable Jesus once told a prodigal son. The story has three main characters:
 - a. The son, who demanded and squandered his inheritance
 - b. The brother, who was frustrated that his good behavior seemed overlooked
 - c. The father, who welcomed his lost son back to the family

Is there a key time in your life when you could relate to one of these three characters? Why?

6. Who in your life is it most difficult to rebrand as lost versus bad or evil? What difference do you imagine it would make if you did?

Application Prayer: Heavenly Father, help me to begin seeing people as lost and found not good and bad. I want to come home to you today.