



# LUKE

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Read either before your small group or all together at the start.

1. Take a look at the Luke 15:1-10. Remind yourself of the two parables Jesus tells in these verses. Chrissy pointed out that in each of these Jesus is telling us something about God, something about the "sinner" or lost person and something about religious people. Take some time to identify what each of those things is from those two stories.
2. Clearly, the lost sheep and the lost coin were helpless to be found without someone going to look for them. In what ways do we resist our own helplessness and prevent Jesus from rescuing us even when it's what we need most?
3. Take a look at Luke 15:11-32 to remind yourself of the story. What do you find most compelling about this story? What really stands out to you?
4. In the story of the lost son, the father seems to make the same offer to BOTH his sons - in different ways - he invites them to come home. Which of the two did you relate to more? In what ways do you need to allow Jesus to invite you to come home? What would coming home look like for you right now?
5. What does the story of the lost son teach us about the God as our Father? What did you find encouraging? Was there anything about the Father's response that you found difficult? How does understanding this about God affect your relationship with God?
6. In every story in Luke 15, it ends with a celebration of the lost being found. Perhaps take a moment to celebrate something that God has done in your life. You could share testimonies about something God has done in your life or even share about how you became a Christian. But take some time to celebrate together and be encouraged by the way God works in all of us.