

GOSPEL COMMUNITY GUIDE

Kingdom Vision : Reaching Our City

Luke 15

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REDEEMER
ROUND ROCK

QUICK UPDATES

Share any upcoming church events and handle housekeeping for the Gospel Community.

CONNECT

What's something you've lost that you went to great lengths to find?

REVIEW

Have someone read the passage(s) out loud from the ESV translation or something similar. Reflect on any insights, questions, or parts that stood out from the text or the sermon. Then read the summary below.

We have hearts that care about the lost and least in our city. Because Jesus sought us in our sin, we ought to remain burdened for others far from God. In Luke 15, Jesus reveals God's heart for the lost through three stories of things being lost, diligently sought, and joyfully found. We were once lost ourselves, but God graciously pursued us and welcomed us into his family through Jesus. Yet, like the older brother, we can become so comfortable in our religious lives that we forget the grace we've received and lose the Father's heart for others. As Redeemer looks toward the future, we're asking God to give us his heart for our city - to see people as Jesus sees them and to move toward them with the same love and grace with which he first pursued us.

LEARN

These questions help us learn God's truth about himself, us, and our world

- Read Luke 15:1–2. Why were the Pharisees and scribes upset with Jesus? How do the three parables that follow challenge their understanding of God and his heart for sinners?
- In Luke 15, we see the shepherd, the woman, and the father all relentlessly pursuing what was lost. Which of these parables most deeply highlights the heart of God for the people of Round Rock? How might God see them differently than we do?
- Read Luke 15:11–32. What differences do you notice between the younger and older brothers? In what ways were both sons lost, and how does the father respond to each of them?
- The sermon reminds us that we can be busy doing the Father's work while losing the Father's heart. What does the older brother's response reveal about how someone can be outwardly obedient yet still far from the father's heart?

LIVE

These questions allow that truth we're learning to confront, encourage, and reshape our actual lives.

- Our two-year goal is 50 baptisms, 10 new Gospel Communities, and 2 new Love the City partnerships. When you look at those goals, do they feel like administrative targets, or do they stir a hunger in you to see God move?
- Think of the "one" in your life - a specific neighbor, coworker, or family member who is far from God. What is one small, authentic step of love or invitation you can take toward them this month?
- The older brother was more concerned about what he deserved than about his brother being restored. Where do you see that same tendency in your own heart? Are there people you struggle to extend grace to, or people you'd rather keep at a distance? Why?
- When you think about people in your life who are far from Jesus, what do you genuinely feel toward them? Compassion? Concern? Indifference? Frustration? Something else? What do you think is going on in your heart toward those people?

- The sermon reminded us that we were once the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son. How does remembering the grace God showed you change the way you see and relate to people who are far from him?
- **How is the Holy Spirit confronting, encouraging, or reshaping you personally from this text and discussion - and how could you live differently this coming week in light of it?**

PRAY

- Ways to pray:
 - Pray about one way God spoke to you tonight through His Word
 - Pray by name for one person you know who is far from God
 - Pray for personal needs of other group members
- Pray for this ministry area of Redeemer: [Pray that we would be a people who care about the lost and least.](#)

5 GROUP DISCUSSION RULES

We want to be full of grace as we meet, deepening our relationship with one another and with Christ. These five values help us know our **P.L.A.C.E.** in our GC's and Huddles.

1. **Pray** - Prayer is a space for confession, struggle, and praise. Keep requests focused on yourself and your immediate family, so we can pray specifically and personally.
2. **Listen** - Be present and attentive. Share with humility, be mindful of time, and remember: silence is okay.
3. **Apply** - Answer honestly. Consider how God's Word speaks into your life, and what it might look like to respond.
4. **Confess** - Confession and repentance are signs of maturity. We meet one another with grace, not shame.
5. **Encourage** - Practical advice is helpful, but truth is better. Speak the gospel into each other's hearts and stories.

COMMENTARY EXCERPT:

None this week.