

Community Group Homework Questions

1. How do we know that the three parables in Luke 15 are about unsaved sinners who come to repentance and not about Christians who have strayed from the Lord?

2. How does the reality that “Sin will take you deeper than you want to go, keep you longer than you want to stay, and make you pay more than you want to pay” motivate you to fight against sin and pursue holiness?

3. Read Luke 15:22–24. How does the father's treatment of his returned son display God's response toward sinners who repent?

4. When you reflect on God's love displayed in your salvation (as detailed in this parable), how does it deepen your love for Him?

5. When you reflect on God's love displayed in your salvation (as detailed in this parable), how are you compelled to greater obedience to Him?

THE OTHER LOST SON

Luke 15:25-32

Series #91

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“The Other Lost Son.”** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What parable would you say is the most famous parable Jesus ever told?
2. When the prodigal son came to his senses, what did he do?
3. Were both sons in the story lost?
4. How the father treated the prodigal son upon his return is a beautiful picture of what?
5. What do we receive when we repent and turn to the Lord?
6. What are we guaranteed when we repent and turn to the Lord?
7. What verse is the key to understanding the whole chapter of Luke 15?
8. Jesus told the parables in Luke 15 to counter the wrong heart attitudes that were prevalent among what group?
9. What two groups were outcasts of society?
10. What term was used to refer to people who were especially immoral and ungodly?
11. Why were the riffraff and outcasts of society drawn to Jesus?
12. Why were the scribes and Pharisees angry at Jesus?

13. Jesus ate a meal with the tax-collectors and sinners to talk about what?
14. God loves sinners and does what when they repent?
15. The older son in the prodigal son story depicted what group?
16. If the older son would have loved the father, he would have done what?
17. The older son was angry and refused to do what?
18. The older son persisted in his what?
19. Why did the spiritual leaders not like John the Baptizer?
20. Are you like the older son/spiritual leaders of Israel?
21. Why did Matthew host a banquet at his house (Luke 5)?
22. What was one of the most personal activities a person could engage in with someone in the New Testament culture?
23. Who is the believer NOT supposed to even eat a meal with?
24. Luke 5:31 is subtle sarcasm or irony by our Lord to say to the Pharisees that they could not be forgiven because they would not what?
25. According to Luke 5:32, Jesus came to call those who recognize what?
26. Where do we find the most famous parable Jesus ever told?
27. What kind of attitude does the older brother display?
28. What group is hardest to reach with the gospel?
29. How did the father respond to the older son?
30. How much of the inheritance would the older son have received?
31. The older son resented what?
32. The older son was a perfect picture of what?
33. Where do we find the crescendo of all three parables in this chapter?
34. When the father said, "...your brother," it was a not so subtle way of making what point?
35. The older son was just as lost as the younger son but he didn't what?
36. What is the first thing we have learned from the amazing parables in Luke 15?
37. If we want to be like God or claim to be like God, we will do what?
38. What is the second thing we have learned from the amazing parables in Luke 15?
39. What is the third thing we have learned from the amazing parables in Luke 15?
40. How did the prodigal son show genuine humility and brokenness?
41. Are you more like the prodigal son or the older brother?