

'How God Responds' Luke 15

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MY APPLICATION

The following questions this week reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family and friends.

- Compare and contrast the attitudes of the two brothers. In what ways have you been like each one?
- 2. Christians need to repent for both the wrong things we do as well as for the reasons we do things right. How can we fight the tendency to do the right things for the wrong reasons like the older brother?
- 3. Read Luke 15:22-24. What does the generosity of the father in the story reveal about the heart of God the Father?
- 4. In all three stories, the owners and the father urgently go to great lengths to find what was lost. On a scale of 1 (apathetic) to 5 (deeply passionate), how would you rate your own sense of urgency in reaching people who don't know Jesus? What practical step could you take to grow in that urgency?
- 5. Who in your *oikos* (sphere of influence) could you invite to Easter services? What specific steps can you take in the coming days to share Jesus' love with them?

MEMORY VERSE

"And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found."