

REMEMBER: HE CROWNS

Luke 15:11-32

MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

1. A LOST YOUNGER BROTHER
2. A LOST OLDER BROTHER

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick one or two of these to talk about as a group

1. What stood out to you most from this week's message? Why?
2. The parable of the two sons in Luke 15:11-32 shows us that the natural way we think about connecting with God is wrong. What are some common misconceptions about connecting with God that you've held in the past? Did this week's message reveal any misconceptions that you still hold about God?
3. Do you relate more with the younger brother or the older brother in the parable of the two sons? Can you think of other people in the Bible who fall into one of these two categories? How did Jesus get a hold of those people?
4. By looking at the younger son's experience in Luke 15:11-32 we can see that what really transforms us is the loving embrace of the father. Have you ever experienced the loving embrace of God? If you have, could you try to describe it for the group?
5. By looking at the older son we can see that the three marks of an "older brother" are 1) Self-righteousness 2) Bitterness and 3) Fear. Do you see any of these in your own life?
6. What did you find most encouraging from this week's message?
7. **OPEN DISCUSSION:** Have an open discussion around the reality of God "crowning you in faithful love and compassion." You can talk about what it means, how you've personally experienced it and how it impacts your daily life.

A TRUTH TO TAKE WITH YOU: In Jesus, you have the true older brother who was willing to leave heaven, His father's estate, His glory and His Majesty to come to earth to find you. And it didn't cost Him His inheritance, it cost Him His life.