



LIFEgroup Homework

Week of January 17, 2010

Prodigal God

This week we launch our new Winter Quarter of LIFEgroups. Many of our LIFEgroups will be starting with a potluck meal, so if you haven't heard from your leader, be sure to contact our office and we will make sure that you get the information you need about your group location, start time and plans for the first night. Your leader will be discussing where the group will be headed in the coming weeks, so be sure to bring your ideas and thoughts on how much time you would like to spend in prayer, in study of God's Word and in worship.

For a group to be healthy and vital, it makes all the difference when group members are willing to commit to being faithful to one another and to the Lord. You will benefit from the group according to what you invest in the group and in the members. Be prepared to discuss how the group can covenant together to make the most of this time.

Sharing Questions

- 1) What is the most valuable thing you ever lost (credit card, keys, car, ring etc)? Describe how it felt when you realized it was lost...
- 2) When have you been lost (this question is for the women, because men never admit to being lost... so feel free to answer for the men)?

Getting Started (questions):

What is the best thing you have ever found?

When you come onto an unexpected find, how do you like to celebrate?

Have you ever been rescued? How did you feel about your rescuer?

Have you ever rescued someone? How did it make you feel?

Homework: Read Luke 15

What were the Pharisees and the Scribes grumbling about?

What was Jesus' purpose in telling this parable?

How was Jesus rebuking these religious leaders?

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Why do you think Jesus told three different stories?

What does Jesus reveal about the heart of our Heavenly Father?

How important is "one sinner who repents?"

The Pharisees and Scribes were consistent in their grumbling against Jesus, and Jesus was consistent with whom he chose to spend time.

Read Luke 5:30-31

What were the religious leaders grumbling about?

Why was Jesus reason for consorting with sinners?

Jesus was in touch with the culture without compromising His values. He was in the world, but not "of" the world. He embraced parties and eating and drinking but he never sinned. How are you a student of this culture?

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Read Mark 1:17 and Matthew 28:18-20

What does Jesus expect of His followers?

Write down the names of three un-churched people that you would love to see come with you to church in the coming weeks:

1.

2.

3.

Write a prayer, asking the Lord to work in their lives and ask Him to give you the opportunity to invite them to join you at church.



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