



## Sermon-based small groups connect the week to the weekend!

Dig deeper into the talk each week, while getting connected, cared for and known. Challenge yourself to see how the message actually makes sense and applies to your everyday life and do it with people just like you to support you on your journey.

**Message Info:** The Ask and the Aftermath - 8/8/2021. Sometimes one line can change the trajectory of your day, week, or year. What is astonishing about this passage is the love the father displays for the lost son. He endures the shame, the heartbreak and the humiliation of granting this son's request. It reminds me of Jesus and his love for us and what he endured on the cross. Jesus sees deeper than your struggle and you don't have to talk Him into loving you. (*Passages: Luke 15:11-24, Hebrews 12:2. Luke 19:10*)

**Discussion Questions:** Take your time and dig into these questions.

What is one line that changed the trajectory of your day, week, year, life?

Andy Bernard in the show The Office once said, "I wish there was a way to know you're in the good old days before you actually left them." Do you think we miss the good all around us sometimes? Why do you think that is?

Read Luke 15:11-24 What sticks out to you from this passage? Why?

Why do you think Jesus responded to his critics with these parables?

What are some observation you make specifically about the father in this passage?

Read Hebrews 12:2. Do you think this passage in Hebrews relates to the father's role in the story? How?

This story is about coming home, where you belong, and where you have everything you need most importantly a restored relationship with God. Think about an area in your life that you may need to turn back to God in. How could someone start to take those steps back home?

How can we pay more attention to what God is doing and how he wants to bless us?

Group Challenge: Invite someone to join your next group gathering.

