Small Group Questions | Found | Luke 15



Proverbs 29:18 says: "Where there is no vision, the people perish" (KJV). Vision can be defined as "the state to be able to see or the ability to plan for the future with imagination or wisdom." At Coastline we like to take one Sunday a year to specifically focus on the vision of our church. This vision is a big dream that requires us to trust in a big God and work together in unity. None of us can accomplish it alone - it requires each of us to play a unique role in God's kingdom for God's glory. There is no better time to refocus our lives on God's plan for the Church. Today is the day to recalibrate ourselves back to the holy truth of God.

- Neal shared a story about losing a sentimental watch that was given to him for a birthday present. Think about your life and a time that you lost something you valued. What did you do to try to find that item? Did you find it?
- 2. **Read Luke 15:1-2**. There was something compelling about Jesus that made all types of people desire to be in His presence. Jesus was able to spend time with sinners without succumbing to sin. How can we live our lives like Jesus in this way?
- 3. Jesus teaches us about a found sheep. Read Luke 15:3-7. In this parable the shepherd leaves 99% of his sheep in open country to go find one lost sheep. Share about when God found you and what it felt like to be found by God.
- 4. Our vision is: Coastline is united in reaching and discipling 1% of our community for Jesus. **Read Jeremiah 50:6-7, Ezekiel 34:16a, Matthew 10:6 and 15:24**. What do these passages teach us about God's heart for people who are lost?
- 5. Jesus continues, in Luke 15, to share a story of a found coin. **Read Luke 15:8-10.** Focusing on verse 10, what do you think the celebration in heaven looks like when a person repents of their sin and places their trust in Jesus?
- 6. The final story in Luke 15 is a story of a found son. The son takes his inheritance and squanders it in wild living. **Read Luke 15:20-24**. What do you find unique about the response of the father to the way his son treated him?
- 7. One application from the message was to pray that God would place one person in our path to share our faith within the coming year. Do you have that one person in mind? How do you feel about sharing your faith? How do you think this invitation will grow your faith in the coming year?
- 8. Close your time in prayer. Pray for the vision God has given Coastline.