Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

## **SCRIPTURE**

Luke 15:3-24

## SESSION SUMMARY

In this week's session, Jesus told three well-known parables to illustrate God's love and compassion for us as well as His desire to seek the lost. What we learn is that God is persistent in His pursuit, and all of heaven rejoices when even one sinner repents. Here are the main themes:

- He seeks the lost with urgency (Luke 15:3-7).
- He seeks the lost with persistence (Luke 15:8-10).
- He seeks the lost with compassion (Luke 15:11-24).

## **CONVERSATION QUESTIONS**

- · Why is it good to remember that God rejoices over us when we trust in Jesus for salvation?
- · How do these parables help us see the way we should respond to new believers?
- When might it be difficult for us to rejoice over someone's decision to trust Jesus for salvation?

## **FAMILY CHALLENGE**

Sit around a table or in a circle, and share with the group what you think the person to your right loses most often. That person can say "agree" or "disagree" to your statement. If he or she says "disagree," then they must share which item they struggle to keep track of. After each person has had a chance to share, ask what they would do to find that missing item. Would they retrace their steps? Ask for help? Give up and buy a new one? Use this activity to discuss how God comes to us before we even ask. He never gives up. And as the best Shepherd ever, He carries us into His flock—His family.