eGroup Questions

October 27, 2019

Verse: Luke 15:11-32

PRAY

Begin your group study with an opening prayer. Acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit, who serves as a teacher as you gather.

REVIEW

What truth did you discover in the previous lesson? Did it transform how you live your life in any way? Even if it was small.

CONNECT

In this lesson, we are looking at what it means to forgive or be forgiven, and be reconciled, particularly to God as His children. As a group, share your thoughts on the following questions.

Have you ever had to forgive someone in your life that you found to be difficult? Have you ever been forgiven by anyone for any reason? What did the process of forgiveness look like? How did you feel about the forgiveness?

OBSERVE

Read your selected passage out loud as a group. While you read, take note of details, words, or phrases that jump off the page. Take a moment to share your findings with the group.

DISCUSS

Notice in vs 12 the son asks his father to, "give me my share of the estate." In this culture, demanding an inheritance before the father died was equal to wishing they were dead. How do you think the father would have felt hearing this demand from his son? Why does the son demand his father?

Notice in vs 20 the father runs to greet his lost son. It was improper for an older man to run in this culture. What does this say about the father's heart for his son? What does this communicate to the son? What does this picture say about the heart of God?

Romans 5:10 says, "for if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son." What does this scripture tell us about our spiritual condition? How does it relate to the message of this parable?

How does this parable illustrate how we are to live today? If we are to be like our heavenly father, what does this teach us about how to act towards others?

MAIN IDEA

In one to three sentences, summarize your main take-away from this lesson. Share your thoughts with the group.

PRAY

Now that you have finished your study, take this opportunity to pray together as a group. Feel free to collect any prayer needs from the group members.