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Group Guide

Week of 7/13/25

Prayer Guide: Use the content from these prompts to launch into your own prayer
Praying together is powerful!

1. Ask God to reveal where you've been trying to make something of yourself instead of just coming home.
2. Confess the ways you've chased self-discovery or performed morality to earn love.
3. Thank the Father for welcoming you with grace, even when you've wandered or resisted.
4. Invite God to reshape your identity around being His child, not your achievements.
5. Pray for courage to stop performing and to rest in the love God already offers you.
6. Ask God to help you let go of control in a world marked by time and chance.
7. Confess any bitterness or pride you've felt when others received grace you thought they didn't deserve.
8. Thank Jesus for being the older brother who came to bring you home.
9. Ask the Spirit to help you trust that you're already fully loved, not just tolerated.
10. Pray for someone in your life who needs to come home, and ask God to show you how to reflect His heart to them.



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Group Questions

1. **Which broken philosophy do you tend to lean toward: self-discovery or moral performance?**
 - a. How do you see that shaping your relationship with God right now?
2. **The prodigal son left home to find himself—can you relate to that?**
 - a. What did “home” represent for you growing up, and how does that impact your view of God today?
3. **The older brother stayed home but missed the Father’s heart—what does this reveal about how morality can become a trap?**
 - a. Have you ever caught yourself thinking, *“I deserve better because I’ve been good”*?
4. **The preacher says, “One sinner destroys much good.” What personal example comes to mind where foolishness—your own or someone else’s—derailed something good?**
 - a. How does that shape your understanding of wisdom and grace?
5. **When you hear the phrase “just come home,” what does that make you think of emotionally or spiritually?**
 - a. What has “home” meant to you growing up and as an adult?
6. **Which voice do you listen to more often: “You’re not doing enough” or “You don’t need to prove anything”? Why?**
 - a. How does that voice shape how you treat others? What about how you treat yourself?
7. **In what ways do you see the pressure to perform show up in your faith—prayer, church involvement, morality, etc.?**
 - a. Has that pressure ever made you resent God or others? What could change that?