

A Better story - Week 2 - When you find yourself lost

Getting started

- When have you found yourself lost? How did you react?
- When have you lost something valuable to you? How did you react?

Getting stuck in

Read the story we are looking at Luke 15 v.11-32.

In week 1 we looked through the eyes of the father now we look through the eyes of the older brother.

Read v.25-32 again.....

- What is going on in the mind and heart of the older brother?
- Now put yourself in his shoes, what might be going on in your mind and heart in this scenario?
- In what ways can we be like the older brother in regards to other people?
- What can stop us experiencing the joy God has for us?
- How does it make you feel that at the heart of the universe there's a party planner?

Getting personal

We have been encouraged to check our status on the following....

Check our RELATIONSHIP status....

- Are we living in the fullness of what God the Father has for us?
- Are we keeping ourselves 'outside' whereas God is inviting us 'inside'?
- In what ways can we guard against the older brother syndrome?

Check our RESENTMENT status....

- Is there someone we are building resentment against?
- What steps can we take this week to fight against that resentment?

Check our RESPONSIBILITY status...

- If we are our brother/sisters keeper, who is God putting into your mind right now?
- What can we do to reach out to them and help them journey back to God?
- What 'prodigals' would we love to see come home?

Name them and pray for them together...invite them to church next Sunday!!!

