

Jesus' Radical Clarification of God, Sin, and Salvation

Luke 15:1-32

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REFLECTION AND APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Monday: Read Luke 15:1-32. To whom was Jesus addressing the parable? What are the themes and key words of the parable? Summarize the point of the parable in one sentence.

Tuesday: Read Luke 15:1-32. What does the parable tell you about God, sin, and salvation?

Wednesday: Read Luke 15:1-10. How do Jesus' target audience for the parable and the stories of the lost sheep and coin set the stage for the story of the two sons and a father? Note repeated words.

Thursday: Read Luke 15:11-24. Contrast the younger son's attitude and actions before and after he "came to his senses" (Luke 15:17). What does his story reveal about sin, salvation, and God?

Friday: Read Luke 15:25-32. What was keeping the elder brother from entering the joy of his father? How does he mirror the Pharisees of Luke 15:1-2? Contrast and compare the father's response to elder son and the younger son. What does the story reveal about God, sin, and salvation?

Saturday: Read Luke 16:19-31. This would be a great Sunday to bring a friend with you to church.

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

- *Beware the Slow Leaks—Eight Ways for Ministry Leaders to Thrive and Finish Strong* by Steve King
- *The Prodigal God—Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith* by Tim Keller