

GOD MOVES DOWN THE ROAD

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

INTRODUCTION:

Take time to read Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 as a group.

- What stood out to you from the passage?
- Are there any questions you have from reading the passage? Share with the group.

DISCUSS:

1. **What was the context which led Jesus to tell the Parable of the Prodigal Son, and two other parables before (Parable of the Lost Sheep & Parable of the Lost Coin)? (See Luke 15:1-13) [Hint: *Who* was Jesus responding to and *why* was He responding to them?]**

2. **As we read Luke 15:11b-32, we see that both the young and older sons were separated from the Father and His house. Both sons present two different ways of being lost.**
 - **What are the two different ways a person can be separated from God?**
 - **In our world today, how do we see people separated from God according to these two different ways?**

3. What was one thing that the Father did in common for both sons, to bring them back into His house? Based on the Father's actions, what is the basis of a person's membership in God's Family?

4. In what way can our Lord Jesus Christ be said to our *true older brother*?

PRAY:

- How does this parable challenge your understanding of God's heart for the lost and for you? Are there ways in which you have to "come home" to God today? Share and pray for one another.