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Luke 15:11-32

***The Parables of Jesus:
Lost... and Found! – Part 2***

#1 – What is the identity of the original audience? vv. 1-3

_____ and _____
_____ and _____
Jesus' _____

#2 – What is the problem, question or circumstance that prompted the parable?

#3 – What is the natural meaning of the parable?

The Lost Son vv. 11-32

Something is lost 1 out of _____ vv. 11-20

Someone searches for it vv. 20b-22

They find it and call others to rejoice vv. 23-24

Something (else) is lost

vv. 25-28a

Someone searches for it

vv. 28b-32

#4 – What is the main point of the parable?

#5 – What is the actual or intended response of the hearers?

#6 – What interpretation did Jesus give?

Questions for Discussion and Contemplation

1. Describe two modern equivalents of the father's two sons in the story.
2. Why do you think the father so readily forgave the younger son in the story? What does this teach us about God?
3. Suppose that when the prodigal son came home he had met his older brother first instead of his father. How might the story have been different? What might that suggest about how we, as believers, ought to treat people who come to the Lord?
4. Why do you think the elder brother became so angry?
5. Looking at the three stories together, what applications can we make to our lives?