

PRAY
& GO

Praying for Your One

GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Discussion

1. Last week we talked about learning to see people as Jesus sees them. What person or situation has God helped you see differently this week?

2. What resonated with you from Sunday's worship?

Read Luke 15:1-7.

3. Jesus was drawn to tax collectors and sinners, while the religious leaders criticized Him for welcoming them. What does Jesus' willingness to move toward people others avoided teach us about His heart? Who might we be tempted to avoid rather than move toward?

4. Jesus leaves the ninety-nine to search for the one lost sheep. The one may seem mathematically insignificant, but Jesus treats the one as spiritually significant. What does this parable tell us about the value Jesus places on each individual?

5. "You'll never look into the eyes of someone Jesus doesn't love." How does this truth challenge the way we think about people who frustrate us, disagree with us, have hurt us, or seem far from God?

6. The story of Herrnhut reminds us that prayer can bring people together even when they disagree. How can praying for someone change the way we see that person? What might it look like to pray for someone we disagree with rather than simply praying that they will change?

7. Who is your One? Is there someone God has placed on your heart who needs prayer, hope, or the love of Jesus? What makes it difficult—or easy—to pray for this person?

8. We aren't praying for our One to check a box or complete a project. How can we love our One simply because Jesus loves them?

Luke 15:4-7

"Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent."

Next Steps

- **Love Jesus:** Pray each day: "Jesus, help me seek people as You seek them." Read ahead for next Sunday - Acts 1:8.
- **Connect with Others:** Invite a trusted friend to join you in prayer for Your One.
- **Serve the World:** Look for one practical way to show your One the love of Jesus this week—listen, encourage, help, serve, or simply be present.
- **Reach the Lost:** Pray specifically: "Jesus, reveal Yourself to my One, and show me how to love them."

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