



## MESSAGE NOTES

### “When Mercy Ran”

Pastor Matt Mylin — June 27, 2021

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*Luke 15:1-3, 11-32*

1. Know when you're lost.

2. Know what to do when you're lost.

*2 Corinthians 5:19*

3. God celebrates when the lost are found, and we should too!

## Small Group Outline & Discussion Questions

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### Connect:

Have each person share a high and low from this past week.

### Consider:

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*Choose one or two questions for your group to discuss as time allows.*

- ▶ Read Luke 15:11-32. If you were the Father, would you have granted the request? Why or why not?
  
- ▶ What characteristics of first-born's, middles, or youngest's do you most resonate with? (Oldest - the rules were modeled by me. Middle - the rules were enforced because of me. Youngest - the rules don't apply to me.)
  
- ▶ If you were to go to an extreme one way or the other, which side would you most likely tip toward?
  - Younger son — Self-indulgent. Rebellion. “I know better.” Thinks he can demand things from God.
  - Older son — Self-righteousness. Resentment. “I am better.” Thinks he deserves things from God.
  - What does God the Father offer each son?

### Commit:

*Spend 1-2 minutes in silence with these questions then share your thoughts.*

Read 2 Corinthians 5:19. Who can you celebrate reconciliation for – yourself or someone else? How will you celebrate?

### Care:

Pray that we can all have the heart of the Father that Jesus talked about in this story, and share with others the connection and celebration possible.