

Welcome Home-The Prodigal

Text: Luke 15

Purpose: *When you have truly experienced the welcome of the Father, you won't shut others out or question God's welcome to them.*

Opening Question: *What makes you feel welcomed at church?*

Read and Discuss: Luke 15

1. *What does it mean to welcome people?*
2. *How do you think the father feels watching his son leave? What thoughts, feelings, or words would you have if you were the father?*
3. *Why was the older brother angry? In what ways can we be like the older son? What grudge, hurt, or bitterness do we carry that keeps us welcoming people?*
4. *What challenges do you have when it comes to welcoming everyone? How does Jesus welcome us?*
5. *How can we grow in welcoming others in our lives? At Calvary? At small group?*