



Short Stories: LOVE

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Key Focus: Love

Opening Up:

What sound makes you hungry?

What sound grosses you out?

What sound makes you happy?

What sound puts you at peace?

What sound makes you sad?

Complete this sentence. I love it when someone says... to me?

Reference: Luke 15:1-32

Discuss:

1. What changes when our perspective shifts from people searching after God, to God searching after people?
2. Rodger spoke of God's love as being both unrelenting yet also uncontrolling. What does the uncontrolling love of God look like?
3. Rodger said that out of love, "God will let us go, but will never let go of us". Have you seen any examples of this in your own life?
4. Luke 15:17 Says that the son "came to himself", he came to his senses. Why do you think the son finally decided he wanted to come home? What made him come to his senses?
5. Have you ever had a time of coming to your senses? A time when you decided to make a radical life change? What motivated you to do so?
6. When the son returns, the father greets him with a hug and kisses. He lavishes on him the rights of a son and reminds the son of his true identity. Is the idea of being embraced by God and being called God's son or daughter easy for you, or is it sometimes more difficult? What might make it hard for someone to accept that kind of love from God?
7. What role do we play as Christians in reminding people of their true identity in Christ?
8. Which son do you most identify with in this story and why?
9. What breaks your heart? What causes it to jump for joy?
10. Pray.