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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Find Those Missing August 30, 2026

Summary

In this final message in the “Five Shifts to Spiritual Maturity” series, Kyle teaches from Luke 15, which tells the story of things that are lost and then found: the sheep, the coin and the son. Jesus shows us that God deeply loves people who are far from Him and celebrates when they return. We are not meant to be like the older brother, who was close to the Father but did not share His heart for those who were lost.

Instead, because we have been found and welcomed into God’s family, we should have compassion for people who do not yet know Jesus. One sign that we are growing spiritually is that we begin to find those missing by intentionally praying for them, serving them and looking for opportunities to share our story of faith.

Scripture

Luke 15:1-31

Let’s Start

What’s the most ridiculous, valuable or unexpected thing you’ve ever lost, and where did you finally find it?

Gratitude and Prayer

How has God been at work in your life since we last met?

Let’s Talk

1. Which part of the story in Luke 15 stands out to you most—the lost sheep, lost coin, younger son or older son? Why?
2. What does the father’s response to the younger son teach us about God’s heart toward us when we turn back to Him?
3. Have you ever experienced a time when you felt “lost” and God helped you find your way back to Him? What happened?
4. The older brother was physically close to his father but did not share his father’s heart. What are some ways we can be close to God yet miss His heart for people?
5. What makes it difficult for us to have compassion for people who are far from God?
6. Kyle asked us to think of one person in our life who doesn’t yet know Jesus and to take three steps with them:
 - Pray. Pray for them by name regularly.
 - Serve. Look for ways to bless them, serve them or do something kind for them.
 - Share. When God provides an opportunity, share your story of faith with them.

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Of the three steps Kyle shared—pray, serve, share—which one comes most naturally to you, and which one would you like to grow in?

7. Looking back at the five shifts we've talked about in this series—***following Jesus completely, worshiping God fully, committing to life-changing relationships, living generously*** and ***finding those missing***—which shift has God been working on in you the most? What have you noticed changing?

8. Which of the five shifts feels most natural to you right now, and which one do you sense God inviting you to take the next step in?

Let's Act

What is one step you could take this week to intentionally build a relationship with someone who does not know Jesus?

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