

It Would Take A Miracle - Part 8 - Easter Scotty Priest April 20, 2025

#### Open with prayer.

### Get to Know You (10 Minutes)

• What are some of your favorite Easter stories and memories?

## **Observation & Discussion (30 Minutes)**

#### Luke 15:11-24

11 Jesus continued: There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. 13 Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. 14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. 17 "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' 20 So he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

21 "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' 22 "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. 24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.

- 1. Who is Jesus teaching to in this story and how do the characters in this story relate?
- 2. What stands out to you the most about the fathers response to both of his son's?
- 3. As you read through this story, who do you relate to and why?
- 4. What is the clear message Jesus is trying to convey in this story to both audiences?
- 5. What does this story teach us about repentance and forgiveness?

### Next Step (10 Minutes)

- Is there an area of your life that you feel far from God? What would it look like to come home?
- How can you extend the grace of Jesus to someone in your life and how can you show that grace this week?

### Prayer Requests (5 Minutes)

Pray with your group to close.

# Challenge

Pick one person in your group to pray for this week. Ensure everyone has someone praying for them.