



## Small Group Discussion Notes

### The Prodigal Prophet

Luke 15:11-32

The Book of Jonah · Week 8

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### Warm Up

Who is the most gracious person you know?

### Digging Deeper

*Read Luke 15:11-32*

Take a moment to individually reflect on the book of Jonah and your small group conversations over the last seven weeks. Feel free to skim over the book to jog your memory.

What initial thoughts do you have regarding the parable of the prodigal son and the book of Jonah?

What are the strongest parallels you see between Jonah in chapters 1 & 2 and the younger son?  
What are the strongest parallels you see between Jonah in chapters 3 & 4 and the older brother?

When you look at the book of Jonah and the parable of the prodigal son what do you learn about God's character?

What deeper insight do you gain about God's grace from these stories?

### Next Steps

What has surprised you or stood out in a new way through this study of Jonah?

What practical takeaway from this study can you apply to your own life?

How do the examples of grace and compassion demonstrated in Jonah and the parable of the prodigal son challenge the way you engage with others? How do they broaden your understanding of who God is?

If you are comfortable sharing, who is one person that you want to commit to extending grace to in a new way?

### Final Thoughts

At times we can find ourselves like Jonah, following God and thankful for his provision. On other occasions we can find ourselves running from God and upset with him. Similarly, we can be like both of the sons in the parable we looked at this week. We can also be like the father. If you were to look wholistically at your life who would you say you most often resemble? Do you like this answer? If not, remember that God's grace is unmerited. He gives it freely and desires to work in your life, right where you are, to transform your conduct and character in a way that leads you closer to him and allows you to better reflect his love to others.