



The Lost Son and Coin
Week 3
(Luke 14:11-24, 8-10 ESV)

A good story can communicate truth like few other things. Jesus was a master storyteller who used parables to explain truths about God and living in a way that honors Him. In this series, we'll learn from some of the parables of Jesus about the life that He invites us to live.

CELEBRATION

Dan Morgan's message last Sunday touched many hearts and resulted in some powerful conversations at the Green Tent!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DC Serve is coming fast! You can get information on how you and your small group can plug in to this powerful community ministry initiative at southview.org

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever wished that God would do something to wake someone up from the path they are traveling? Dan wondered if the prodigal's dad could have been praying that God would do something. There were growth opportunities in the famine that weren't found anywhere else. Do you believe God is that concerned and involved in our lives? Have you ever prayed something like that for someone else (or yourself)?
2. One of the most powerful things you can say to someone is "I was wrong. Will you forgive me?" No justification, no extra words - simply that. Have you ever been on the receiving end of those words? What did that feel like? Is there someone you need to say those words to today? What stops you?
3. God loves me even though _____. If we saw ourself the way God sees us, we could say that and fill in the blank with anything. Is that how you picture your Heavenly Father? Why or why not?

MOVING FORWARD

See yourself the way God sees you: through eyes of love, mercy, and forgiveness.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

*"But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion and ran and embraced him and kissed him."
— Luke 15:20b (ESV)*