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PART ONE | CASTLES AND KINGDOMS



BEFORE THE VIDEO:

1. Watch the video trailer
2. Did anything in the video resonate with your own experience?



AFTER THE VIDEO, DISCUSS THESE QUESTIONS:

1. In the story, do you identify more with the younger brother, the older brother, or both? Explain.
2. Read Luke 15:1-2. How does understanding who was in the audience affect how you hear the parable about the two sons?
3. Think about the differences between a manager-employee relationship and a father-child relationship. Which would you say is closer to how you view your relationship with God? Why?
4. Identity can be thought of as the story we tell ourselves about ourselves. We often form our identity by emphasizing our family roles, titles, behaviors, and achievements. What do you think has been foundational to your identity?
5. The graphic on the next page lists common false beliefs that can affect our identity. It also shows us a corresponding truth based on what God says is true of us. Read through each one and make a mark to indicate where your beliefs would be on the continuum. Discuss where you landed on each statement.

| FALSE BELIEFS | WHAT GOD SAYS IS TRUE |
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| <p>I must be in control to be safe, secure or significant.</p>  | <p>My security comes from my relationship with Jesus.</p> |
| <p>I must please other people to be loved or accepted.</p>  | <p>Others can't meet all of my needs. My need for acceptance is met in Jesus..</p> |
| <p>I must perform and achieve to be accepted.</p>  | <p>I am loved and accepted by grace, not by what I do.</p> |
| <p>I must be tough and independent to survive.</p>  | <p>I am dependant on God. Apart from him I can do nothing.</p> |
| <p>I must be perfect to know I am valuable.</p>  | <p>Christ's power is made perfect in my weakness.</p> |

6. Which of these truths do you feel you need to be reminded of the most during this week. What could you do to help keep it in front of you?



MOVING FORWARD

Text KINGDOM to 94090 to receive a digital reading plan designed to help you dive deeper into what was discussed in each session.