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Week 5: How Does God View
Those Who Have Wandered From
the Faith?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



RECAP

In this fifth sermon tackling common questions people have about Christianity, Josh talked about how God views those who at one time followed God but now don't. This has major implications for us as Christians as we determine how we should treat and interact with those on the outside.

MTVGROUP QUESTIONS

1. What's the most valuable thing you've ever lost? Tell the story. How long was it lost? How far did you go to find it? Did you rejoice when you found what was lost?
2. The topic of the sermon was specifically on people who used to believe or follow God but now they've wandered. Now they're lost. Who in your world would you classify as someone who's wandered? (*Be sensitive but as transparent as you can*).
3. Luke 15:22-28. At the climax of the story, Jesus contrasts the response of the father with the response of the older brother to the son who was lost. Be honest, which one typically describes you more? Is there a specific instance or two where you acted more like the father or more like the older brother?
4. Josh shared three haunting questions. Which one of the three disturbed you the most. Why?
 - *Do we really love God and put him first if what's important to him isn't important to us?*
 - *Do we truly see people as valuable, or do we see them as objects orbiting around our own happiness?*
 - *Do we really think lost people are going to hell, and do we really think that hell is as bad as the Bible says it is?*

NEXT STEPS

Who's lost in your world? Who needs to be found? Be specific and share those names (and stories) with your group. As a group, covenant to pray for each of those mentioned by name every day until your next meeting. At the next meeting, take time out at the beginning to share how God has moved in your life and theirs as a result of the prayers of your group.