# This Week's Lesson & At Home Activity

Session Title: Three Parables

Bible Passage: Luke 15

Main Point: Jesus is the One who seeks and saves the lost.

Key Passage: Mark 6:34

**Big Picture Question:** Why did Jesus tell parables? Jesus told parables to teach people about God and His kingdom.

**Christ Connection:** The religious leaders complained that Jesus welcomed sinners. Jesus told these parables to teach about God's forgiveness. God sent Jesus so sinners can be forgiven. As Savior, Jesus seeks sinners. He paid the ultimate price—His own life—to save people from sin.



# Fair OR Unfair

Designate one side of the table as "Fair" and the other side as "Unfair". Read the following scenarios and have the kids move to the side of the table that represents their feelings about the situation.

- One kid does his homework and another kid copies his answers. They get the same grade.
- The birthday girl at a party gets the biggest piece of cake.
- Two kids try out for a baseball team, but only one of them makes it.
- One man breaks a law, but someone else goes to jail instead of him.
- A kid in your class forgot to study for a spelling test. He gets a bad grade.
- You did not clean your room before a fun trip to a theme park. Your parents decide to let you go anyway.
- <u>Say</u>: Life is not fair. Sometimes the unfairness hurts us, and other times it seems to help us. Often, our ideas of what is fair do not match with God's ideas about fairness. God provided a way for us to live with Him forever even though we deserve death. Jesus died on the cross to make the way for us to experience life. We celebrate when lost people are saved because we know that we didn't deserve salvation and God still provided it to us.

# Lost and Found

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Search the picture to find the lost son, the sheep, and the 10 coins.



## KEY PASSAGE: Mark 6:34

#### **BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

• Why did Jesus tell parables? Jesus told parables to teach people about God and His kingdom.

### BIBLE STORY: THREE PARABLES

- Jesus taught parables about people finding lost things.
- People celebrated when they find what was lost.
- Jesus is the One who seeks and saves the lost.

#### FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- How does Jesus feel about people who don't know Him?
- How do we feel about people who don't know Jesus?
- How can we show love to lost people?

## FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Play a game of hide and seek with your family in a local park or in your home. See who can find the "lost" people fastest!
- Help your kids look around your home for lost change. Can they find enough for a candy bar or other treat?

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