

# COMING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

## LONGING OF THE SOUL

## DECEMBER 1

### GROUP NORMS

Be courageous, be compassionate, be connected  
Be a cog...not a hog or a log  
Be a listener...not a fixer

NOTE: Don't feel the pressure to ask all of these questions. You may want to prioritize which ones you think will generate the most discussion within your group. There are a few cues for personal reflection that the group leader may also bring into the discussion if time and group dynamics allow.

### DISCUSSION

Ice Breaker: Share 3 things you are thankful for: a) person, b) place, c) thing.

Discussion:

Read: Luke 15:1-3, 11-24

Why do you think Jesus used stories and parables so frequently in His teaching?

Who are you? And what are you doing here?

What happens to a person when they they disconnected with why they are here so tnus planet?

Douglas made the statement "Life doesn't give you purpose. You give purpose to life." How have you found/given purpose for your life?

What advice would you give to someone who feels their life has no purpose?

Why does the father grant the younger sons request for his inheritance when he knows his son is not morally equipped to handle the fortune?

What are some lessons to take away from the "Parable of the Lost Son?"