

# LOST AND FOUND

WEEK 2 (HYBRID)

## **BIG IDEA**

Jesus values you.

## **BIBLE**

Luke 15:8-10; Psalm 103:8-14; Romans 8:38-39

## WHAT?

### ACTIVITY | Easter Egg Hunt

It's the week of Easter. Since we don't have an easter egg hunt for teenagers, and I'm sure many of you used to be pretty good at those things, we're going to have one here tonight.

I'm going to show a picture on the screen for 10 seconds. After I show the screen, I'm going to call on up to three different people in the room. The first person to get the right answer (if anyone) will earn a candy bar ticket tonight.

- Slide 1 - Trees - 12
- Slide 2 - Cars - 14
- Slide 3 - Store - 7
- Slide 4 - Pets - 7
- Slide 5 - DJ - 11
- Slide 6 - City - 9
- Slide 7 - Kaleidoscope - 10

### ACTIVITY | Easter Trivia

#### Instructions:

- Divide students up into teams of two.

- Give them each something to write on
  - Have them put their names on the top
  - Ask them to number their sheets from 1-10
- Go through Questions 1-10 giving students 10 seconds to answer each question.
- Ask each team to exchange papers with another team
- Go through the Answers to questions 1-10.
- The team with the most correct answers is the winner.
- If there is a tie, move forward to question #11. The first team to answer correctly is the winner.
- Award a candy ticket to each team member (maximum 2)

### **QUESTION | Have you ever spotted something weird in the Lost and Found section?**

#### **Ask:**

- *Have you ever spotted something weird in the Lost and Found section? What was it? Why did you consider it weird?*

#### **Say Something Like:**

- Last week we said there are tons of reasons why we lose things.
  - Sometimes it's because we're careless.
  - Sometimes it's because we get distracted.
  - But there's another reason why things might get lost and stay lost. Some things stay in Lost and Found for a *long*-time, collecting dust, because – well, maybe because those cheap sunglasses just aren't worth the effort of their owner trying to find them.
- Sometimes we lose things and don't bother to find them because we consider the things we lost as basically trash.

### **DISCUSSION**

#### **Ask:**

- *Have you ever found something awesome that someone else lost or*

*threw away? What was it?*

- *Has anyone ever wanted to keep something that you were going to throw away? What was it? Why did they want it?*
- *How do you think it's possible for two people to value the same thing differently?*

## **POLL | Trash or Treasure?**

### **Say Something Like:**

- Whether something is "trash" or "treasure" is often a matter of perspective. In fact, I'd guess you all have different perspectives as to which is trash or treasure when it comes to a lot of things.

### **INSTRUCTIONS:-**

- I'm going to give you a series of pairings. For each pairing, I want you to go to the side of the room which you think is Treasure. If you don't think it's treasure, you go to the trash side. There's no standing in the middle of the room.
- As you say each one, point left for the first item and right for the second.
  - *Dogs (left) or cats (right).*
  - *The book (left) or the movie (right).*
  - *A concert (left) or an amusement park (right).*
  - *Walmart (left) or Target (right).*
  - *Mountain Dew (left) or Dr. Pepper (right).*
  - *Beach (left) or pool (right).*
  - *Pizza (left) or tacos (right).*

### **Say Something Like:**

- See what I mean? Whether or not something is valuable is largely a matter of opinion. You and I can see the exact same item (maybe some abandoned sunglasses from the Lost and Found Box), but value that same item completely differently.

- I don't know if you can relate to this, but I've had moments when I've felt a little bit like those abandoned sunglasses.
  - I've wondered how much I actually matter to others or to God.
  - Even worse, I've treated other people as if they were disposable, and not worth my time or attention.

## SO WHAT?

### DISCUSSION

#### Ask:

- *Tell us about a time you felt valuable. What made you feel that way?*
- *What are some reasons why someone might not feel valuable to God or to others?*

## PLAY VIDEO - WEEK 2 - MESSAGE

## NOW WHAT?

### DISCUSSION

#### Ask:

- *What does Jesus' story about the lost coin teach us about God?*

#### Have Someone Read:

- *Romans 8:38-39 (page 1400 in NIV Teen Study Bible)*

#### Ask:

- *Is it ever difficult for you to believe God won't stop loving someone? Why*

*or why not?*

- *Do you think you ever calculate your value based on the wrong things? Give an example.*
- *Do you think you ever view or treat others as though they're less valuable than they really are? Give an example.*

## REFLECTION | Valuable Coins

### Say Something Like:

- In the message tonight, Chad said, "Jesus values you and Jesus values the people you struggle to value. I guess you could say these two truths are two sides of the same coin."
- He then talked about these wooden coins, saying,
  - There are going to be times when you doubt your own value, either because of something you did or because of something you think you are.
  - When those moments come, I need you to remember that even when you feel worthless, Jesus values you. You are God's beloved child and that's enough. You don't have to do or be anything else to be loved by God.
  - Jesus values you so much that He'll never stop helping you feel found. And when you let Him find you, He'll never stop celebrating that you're not lost anymore.
  - **ON ONE SIDE OF YOUR COIN, USING A MARKER OR PEN, WRITE "JESUS VALUES ME"**
- He also said to think about the person or people who are difficult for you to value.-
  - You have the ability to help others know they're that valuable too. At the very least, you have the ability to help others not question whether or not they matter because of the way you treat them.
  - When you find yourself devaluing someone, I hope you'll remember that the people we dismiss...those are the people Jesus values so much that He'll never stop searching for them.

○ ON THE OTHER SIDE OF YOUR COIN, WRITE-"**JESUS VALUES THEM**"

- You haven't done anything to earn God's love, but you are loved. Like Chad said, I hope that love changes you so deeply that you begin to value others like God values you. Like that woman and her lost coin, **Jesus values you** (and everyone else) so much more than you'll ever know.

## DISCUSSION

### Ask:

- *What is one thing you can do this week to better value yourself and others the way God values you?*

## PRAYER

Remind students of Holy Week Services

- Maundy Thursday - Night Jesus was Arrested (Last Supper) - 7:00pm
- Good Friday - Crucifixion - 7:00pm
- Early Easter - Saturday @ 5:00pm
- Easter Sunrise - Sunday @ 6:45am-
- Regular Easter Services - Sunday @ 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

Close in Prayer