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Week 2 - Teachings and Parables - Part 1

Get alone and pray

"...unite my heart to fear Your Name." Psalm 86:11

Read Luke 14-16

When was the last time you got excited about someone else coming to faith in Christ? And why?

Do you find it easy or difficult to relate to God as your Father? Explain.

Gaze

Using the below outline, write at least 5 facts from each section of scripture.

I. Luke 14

II. Luke 15

III. Luke 16

What do you learn about God, Jesus, and/or the Holy Spirit from this week's reading?

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What topics or themes do you see?

Memory Verse: "I tell you, in the same way, there is joy in the presence of God's angels over one sinner who repents." Luke 15:10

Guide Your Heart

1. Describe the scene we see Jesus in for most of **Luke 14**. (see **v.1, 7, 12, 15**)
2. Why were the Pharisees watching Jesus closely?

What did their silence reveal? **Luke 14:3-5**

Parable

a story that has a meaning, where certain details in the story represent something else.

-J. Scott Duvall, J. Daniel Hays

3. At the dinner party, Jesus noticed people's behavior (**Luke 14:7**). As a result, He told two parables. Complete the boxes below with your findings.

	WHAT HE SAW	WHAT HE TAUGHT
Luke 14:2-11		
Luke 14:12-14		

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What did their behavior reveal about their faith, character and attitude toward others? See **Matthew 22:37-39, 1 Peter 5:5-6**

Where in your life are you most tempted to be self-seeking and proud?

4. In the Parable of the Large Banquet what does the banquet itself represent? **See Luke 13:24-29, Revelation 19:9**

Who do the people that made excuses represent?

5. In counting the cost, what must a person carefully consider when following Jesus? **Luke 14:26-27, 33**

Do you think this is done by the majority of professing believers? Why or why not?

6. What do you think Jesus meant when He said, "If anyone comes to Me and does not hate His own father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters- yes, and even his own life--he cannot be my disciple."?

Share some ways we may put our spouses, children or even ourselves before God.

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7. What repeated theme do we see in the parable of the lost sheep, lost coin and the lost son?
8. Describe each of the main characters from the prodigal son in **Luke 15**.

THE YOUNGER SON-

THE FATHER-

THE OLDER SON-

What do we learn through this parable about God's attitude toward repentant sinners?

How were the Pharisees and scribes like the older brother in the parable of the prodigal son?

9. Compare **1 Timothy 6:7-10** with **Luke 16:9-15**. What lessons do you learn about worldly wealth?

How often do you pray about how to use your money for God's purposes? How might regularly praying in this manner change your relationship with money?

10. In the story of the rich man and Lazarus, why did Abraham deny the rich man's request? See **Luke 16:27-31**

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Who do you know personally that may end up like the rich man? What would you tell them and why?

Glean

Write the spiritual lessons you see from this week's study.

Go and Obey

Take a moment to pray and ask the Lord to show you where there needs to be a change in your thinking, speech or conduct.

This week's prayer request:

What I am grateful for:

Colossians 2:7 Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on Him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.

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Week 2 - Notes
