

# Foundations

Week 3 – December 20, 2020

Scripture: Luke 2:10, Isaiah 52:7, Romans 10:14-15,  
Luke 15:1-32, Luke 19:10

*Grab your Bible and a few people to connect with. Look up the verses below and share your thoughts. It's that easy!*

**Share:** What is something that was passed along to you from your family? Perhaps it was a Christmas tradition or a passion for something particular.

**Read Luke 2:10, Isaiah 52:7, Romans 10:14-15, Luke 15:1-32, and Luke 19:10 together:** Take turns reading if you prefer. Enjoy the different Bible translations we each read.

## **Discuss the following context:**

During the first week of the series we talked about how we are designed to be creative and to make things for the glory and purposes of God. Last week the word of the day was "Go". We are called to go and to serve and love all people in the name of Jesus. Creativity and Moving Out have been hallmarks of our church. This week the word is "Tell". As we go out into the world, followers of Jesus are to tell or proclaim the good news of God. From the beginning of Kensington one of the core parts of our mission was to tell people about Jesus. When we experience something good we want to share the news!

## **Share your thoughts about following questions:**

1. Dave and Ann Wilson and Kensington have always had a passion for reaching the "one" - the person far from God. This passion is grounded in a story Jesus told to His disciples.
  - a. In Luke 15:1-32 there are a trio of stories/parables that speak about something being lost...a lost sheep, a lost coin and a lost son (commonly referred to as the story of the prodigal son). What does it seem like Jesus values most? What type of people is He hanging out with and how does He reveal his values?
  - b. Why is Jesus willing to go after the one sheep who is lost?
  - c. If this is the heart of Jesus, how does it challenge us in the way we live our lives?
2. As a church and followers of Christ we are called to GO to the "ones". We are called to leave our comfort and preferences to pursue those who are far from God by telling them of the good news of Jesus.
  - a. In your relationship with God, whether new or old, what is easy for you to share with others?
  - b. What is more difficult for you to share with others?
3. We always have the opportunity to share the story of how Jesus has transformed and mobilized our own lives. Our stories collectively form a powerful story of what is possible when the church engages with the voice of God while at our workplace, in our neighborhood, and with our friends and family.
  - a. Where do you desire to see more transformation and mobilization in your life?
  - b. How can you reflect this in daily life?

**Pray together:** Ask each other to share what is on your heart today. Thank God for His good news. Thank Him for the transformation you have experienced in your own life through Jesus. Maybe you have been a Christian for a long time or maybe you are just starting to experience peace for the first time. Ask God to help you share your story to those around you.