

On Sunday, we added another key Bible word as we explore "What is Salvation?" We've learned that God is willing to "set us free" from our sins, but once we're free ... where should we go? Do you remember from Sunday that big word reconciliation? It's when two things have been pulled apart are brought back together again.

On Wednesday nights, we're learning **Great Stories of Salvation** and Jesus' parable of a lost son in **Luke 15** is a great example to help us understand **reconciliation**. We'll read the parable in just a moment, but first ... **WHY** did Jesus tell this parable? Listen listen to Luke 15:1-2 ...

Some key lessons from a great story of salvation:

- Luke 15:11-13 do you remember what "iniquity" means? It's when I take something good and twist or bend it. And what do iniquities do? They "make a _____" between me and my God. That's exactly what this son did with his father!
- Luke 15:14-16 separation from his father wasn't "the good life" that the son was expecting
- Luke 15:17-20 the son had to ______ to be reconciled to his father
- Luke 15:20-24 when the son was willing to leave iniquity behind, his father was eager to him home
- Luke 15:25-32 not everyone sees or wants God's beautiful offer of reconciliation

Who is the father in Jesus' parable?

What does Jesus' story—a GREAT story of salvation—help us see about our Father in heaven?



FOUNDATION STONES

This month, we're working on:

TIMELINE Building Blocks:

The first four periods of the Creation to Revelation timeline

- **BIBLE** Building Blocks: Our Old Testament books of the Bible
- CHARACTER Building Blocks: The Israelite family tree
- EVENT Building Blocks: The IO plagues on Egypt
- KEY WORD Building Blocks: What's a patriarch? A covenant? A parable?

BIBLE Building Blocks

- \clubsuit How many books are in the Old Testament of the Bible?
- Let's work on saying the Old Testament books of the Bible from memory...

KEY WORD Building Blocks

- 🖗 What's a parable?
- We talked about Jesus' parable of the lost son. Can you think of any other parables Jesus told?
 Open your Bible back up to Luke 15. Do you see any other parables in that chapter?



