

# LOVE BIG

"Everyone's Included"

December 23, 2018

**Opening Prayer:** Pray for those who feel left out, alone, and abandoned. Pray now for the millions of refugees all around the world, many who are in great danger. Praise God for putting the right people in the right places at the right times for those in need. Ask God to open your eyes to the needs of those who are right around us. Pray that you will be open to the encounters God has in store for us and that we might be the hands and feet of Jesus to those in need.

**Scripture:** Read Luke 15:3-7

## **Discuss:**

- In this passage, Jesus makes it clear that the reason that he came is not so much for those who already know him but, for those who have gone astray. Does Christmas and the baby Jesus make you think of Jesus coming for the lost?
- When Jesus goes after the one who is lost and leaves the 99 on the hillside, which do you tend to relate to the most...the one or the 99?
- Should we be more focused or less focused on those who are already in the Kingdom or should we be looking for the lost – what do you think?

**Closing Prayer:** Lift before the Lord those who are the least, the last and the lost. Ask the Lord to show you who they are and where they live. Pray that Jesus would lead His church to find the "one" who is lost and help the 99 to care for each other – like we have been taught.