

**Sermon Discussion Questions: August 24, 2025**

**Sermon Series: Kingdom Stories**

**Passage: Luke 15:11-32**

1. What do you imagine God to be like, especially to you? How do you experience him?
2. Draw out some implications together for God being consistently described as a Father to his people throughout the Bible. How might it be helpful to reflect on the reality that God didn't need us to exist (what author Christopher Watkin calls "the gratuity of the universe")?
3. What makes it hard for you to experience God as an infinitely gracious Father? Are there particular stories from Scripture or your own life that help capture your imagination for God being this way toward you?
4. What is your relationship like with God's commands - what was referred to in the sermon as the "father's house rules?" How does this parable invite us to relate to those commands?
5. What makes it hard for you to extend grace to others? For the church to be a place of grace? What might it look like tangibly and practically for CGS to be a church that celebrates God's grace?