

Share an experience you had of being welcomed? What did the other person do that made you feel welcome?

Read Luke 15:1-2

What do we learn about the heart of God from these verses? What does that say to you?

Read Luke 15:11-24

What do you learn about the younger son from these verses?

How are you like this son?

What do you learn about the father?

What has God done to welcome you into his family? How does that make you feel?

Read Luke 15:25-32

What do you learn about the older son from these verses?

How are you like this son?

What do you learn about the father?

How do you see welcome in the father's actions and words to both sons?

Read Romans 15:7

Welcome and receive [to your hearts] one another, then, even as Christ has welcomed and received you, for the glory of God.

What are some ways that we can welcome others as Jesus has welcomed us?