

# 5. Finding the Lost

Luke chapter 15 verses 11-24

Then **JESUS** said, "A **MAN** had 2 **SONS**. The younger **SON** said to his **FATHER**, 'Give me my share of the property.' So the **FATHER** divided the property between his 2 **SONS**. Then the younger **SON** gathered up all that was his and travelled far away to another country. There he wasted his money on foolish living. After he had spent everything, a time came when there was no food anywhere in the country, and the **SON** was poor and hungry. So he got a job with one of the citizens there who sent the **SON** into the fields to feed pigs.

The **SON** was so hungry that he wanted to eat the bean pods the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. When he realised what he was doing, he thought, 'All of my **FATHER'S** servants have plenty of food. But I am here, almost dying with hunger. I will leave and return to my **FATHER** and say to him, "**FATHER**, I have sinned against **GOD** and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your **SON**, but let me be like one of your servants.'" So the **SON** left and went to his **FATHER**.

"While the **SON** was still a long way off, his **FATHER** saw him and felt sorry for his **SON**. So the **FATHER** ran to him and hugged and kissed him. The **SON** said, '**FATHER**, I have sinned against **GOD** and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your **SON**.' But the **FATHER** said to his servants, 'Hurry! Bring the best clothes and put them on him. Also, put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get our fat calf and kill it so we can have a feast and celebrate.' My **SON** was dead, but now he is alive again! He was lost, but now he is found!' So they began to celebrate.

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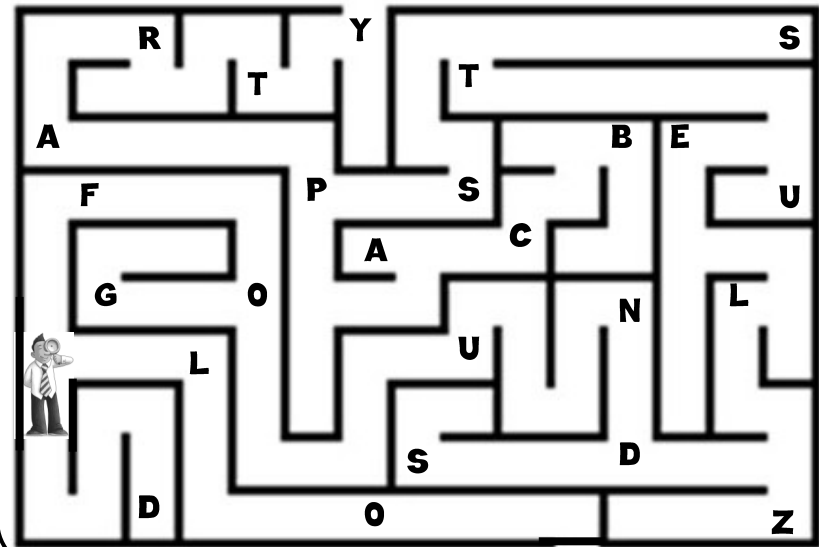


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Once when I was little I didn't realise I was lost. I took hold of some random woman's hand thinking it was my mum. She was kind, but a little surprised. Lots of tears that day! Mum came running up the road seconds later freaking out that I'd wandered off. In this story the boy wanted to wander off and his dad still made a big fuss of him. If that dad is meant to be God I wonder what that tells us about Him?

## Challenge 5

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Help Luke out of the maze and collect up the letters on the way to find a hidden message. Write it below.

## Extras

On the website this time is the story of Brother Andrew, he cared so much for lost people he took some big risks.

<http://bit.ly/2qEQc04>

Use a Bible to find two other stories about lost and found things. Luke 15 v1-10

Have a look at "Cecil the Lost Sheep" on the 'Lost Sheep' website.

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