



"It Is Not Good for Man to Be Alone

We were **created for connection**—first with God, then with one another, and with the world around us. In a distracted, busy, and isolating culture, God invites us into relationships that bring life, purpose, and transformation.

WEEK 6 - "Connected as God's People"

Before you begin - take some time to CONNECT & get to know each other more. Choose **one** of these **3 questions** to answer (you can choose **different** ones!)

A - "What's the funniest or most classic 'dad joke' you've ever heard — or one you secretly love to use yourself?"

B - "What's one way your dad (or a father figure) showed love or care for you that you still remember?"

C - "When you think about God as your Father, what's one quality of His love that stands out to you the most?"

Introduction: As we conclude our **Connected** series, we are reminded that **all** our connections — to God, to one another, to the Spirit, our gifts, and our community — flow out of the greatest connection of all: our relationship with our Father in heaven. God is the perfect Father, and just like a good father has compassion for his children (Psalm 103:13), God's heart is for us.

In the story of the prodigal son (Luke 15), we see the Father's embrace, that he welcomes us home with grace and love. John 3:16 declares that this love compelled God to give His Son, and we are united as His sons and daughters, brothers and sisters in Christ, through faith in His love for us.

Read Together: Luke 15:11–24 **Psalm 103**:13 and **Romans 8:15–17**

What stands out to you from these passages or from what we heard on Sunday?

Discussion Questions: If you are able, **watch** this 5 min video first >>

- What kind of picture of God did you have growing up? ... as Father??
- How does the story of **the prodigal son** reflect the Father's heart to you?
- 3. How might you need to receive the Father's embrace again today?
- **4.** How can we reflect the Father's heart to others -especially those hurting or lost?

Pray together, then discuss whether you will continue to meet again next week...

