

# SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

## AT THE MOVIES WEEK 1

*While anyone can take time to answer these questions individually, these questions are best discussed in a group! Not in a group yet? We want you in one! Head over to **[southeastchristian.org](http://southeastchristian.org)** to join a group in person or online, wherever you are - today!*

What is your favorite movie? What is it about your memories of this movie that make it so special to you? How do the themes of that movie overlap with the themes in the Bible? In what ways can the stories we tell point us towards the Story God tells on the pages of Scripture?

Read Luke 15:11-24. What happened to the younger son in Jesus' parable? How did the Father respond when the son finally returned home? Why do you think this story ranks among one of the most famous stories Jesus told? How do its themes resonate with our lives and experiences?

What are some of the reasons why people run away from God? What are some of the reasons you have had for running away from God? Why do we think we're going to find freedom by running off to the "far country"? How have you experienced the Father welcoming you back home?

Read Psalm 139:7-12. How does this passage describe God's pursuit of His people? How reassuring is it to know that God sees us - and pursues us - in every situation? Is there an image in these verses that particularly resonates with you? If God values His children this much, how should we seek after those who wander?

As we saw in the movie, Frank's real story began when he stopped running. He found a home, a family, and a purpose. How has knowing Jesus transformed your story? What would the theme of your story have been before you knew Him? What is the theme of your life now? In what ways has Jesus given you a home, a family, and a purpose?

As you close your time together, read 2 Corinthians 5:17. What assurance does Paul give us in this verse? Why is it so significant that Jesus not only offers us forgiveness, but transformation? Close your time together in prayer by asking God to empower you to live that new life. Pray that He would help you invite others to experience the forgiveness and transformation He brings.