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Big Idea

God doesn't just rescue. He restores.

Luke 15:21-22

²¹ His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you, and I am no longer worthy of being called your son.'

²² "But his father said to the servants, 'Quick! Bring the finest robe in the house and put it on him. Get a ring for his finger and sandals for his feet.

We seek to negotiate from shame. (Luke 15:21)

We want rescue.

He restores our name. (Luke 15:22)

- "Robe"- Rest He doesn't have to prove himself.
- "Ring"- Security He doesn't have to provide for himself.
- "Sandals"- Acceptance

Romans 8:1

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 1:7

He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins.

Ephesians 2:6

For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:13

But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ.

Ephesians 3:16-19

- ¹⁶ I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit.
- ¹⁷ Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong.
- ¹⁸ And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is.
- ¹⁹ May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.

Ephesians 1:5

God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

Romans 8:39

No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Response

Can you accept the restoration God provides?