

# WE CELEBRATE LIFE CHANGE

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**Title:** We Celebrate Life Change

**Text:** "Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents." (Luke 15:10 ESV)

**Target:** The Church must emulate what heaven celebrates.

**I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Parables:** "Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him." (Luke 15:1)

**A. Accusations towards Jesus:** "And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying..." (Luke 15:2a)

**B. Acceptance of Jesus:** "This man receives sinners and eats with them. **So He told them this parable:**" (Luke 15:2b-3)

**1. Afflict the Comfortable:** Pharisees and Scribes

**2. Comfort the Afflicted:** Tax Collectors and Sinners.

**II. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the Parables:** Sheep, Coin, Son

**A. The Loss is Noticed:** It matters that it's Missing (Vs. 3, 8, 13)

**B. The Pursuit is Personal:** "Seek and to save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10)

**1. Leaves the 99 (lingering in danger):** "open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it?" (15:4)

**2. Cleans the House (lying in darkness):** "light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it?" (15:8)

**3. Waits on the Porch (living in deception):** "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him" (15:20)

**C. The Celebration is an Invitation:**

**1. Sheep is Rescued:** "And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.'" (15:6)

**2. Coin is Revealed:** "And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.'" (15:9)

**3. Son is Restored:** "For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate." (15:24)

**III. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Parables:** "It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found." (15:32)

**A. The Value of the One:** People matter more than sheep and coins.

**B. Rescue & Relocate is the Mission:** Just one more.

**C. Never give up on what's been Lost:** Stay Diligent.

**D. New Starts and New Steps Matter:** Be Good News.

**E. Celebrating becomes Motivating:** Encourages Growth.

**F. Parties are Heavenly:** If it matters to God, it matters to us.

**Takeaway:** Imitation is the greatest form of Appreciation

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# WE THE CHURCH

## MISSION VISION VALUES

### *Weekly Rhythms:*

#### **CARE GROUPS | TUESDAYS AT 6:30PM**

CBC Care Groups are here to offer support and help you find community.

#### **MDWK | WEDNESDAYS AT 6:45PM**

Join us for our midweek gathering for 6-12th grade students!

#### **PRETEEN WEDNESDAY | WEDNESDAYS AT 6:45PM**

4-5th graders, join us for our weekly small group community!

#### **COMMON GROUND | THURSDAYS AT 7PM**

College students - join us for our Thursday gathering!

#### **CELEBRATE RECOVERY, THE LANDING, CELEBRATION PLACE | FRIDAYS AT 6:30PM**

Recovery community for adults and students.

### *Upcoming Events:*

#### **WELCOME HOME | APRIL 8 AT 5:30PM**

Welcome Home is a great way to find out more about CBC and how to get connected into our family! It is held once a month and has an opportunity for membership at the end of the class. We serve dinner from 5:45-6:30 then begin our time with our Pastors from 6:30 to 8:00. Please register all participants ages 13 and up. Kids Club is available for ages birth to 5th grade. Registration is needed for Kids Club.

#### **GROUP LINK | APRIL 13 AT 5PM**

Looking to join a community group at CBC? Group Link is for you! Our next Group Link class will be Saturdays, April 6th & 13th from 5:00pm-6:15pm in E209. If you have any questions, email us at [groups@cbc.email](mailto:groups@cbc.email).

#### **FAMILY DEDICATION CLASS | APRIL 13 AT 5PM**

Family Dedication Class is an opportunity to come alongside moms and dads who are wishing to publicly affirm that they will lead their children with the Word of God while committing to each other as husband and wife. We consider this partnership as a privilege! The class you are registering for will have a ceremony to follow. More details regarding the ceremony will be discussed in the class!

#### **YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING | APRIL 15 AT 6:30PM**

Gather with a collection of young adults between the ages of 25 and 35 committed to journeying through adulthood God's way. Join us in Central at 6:30 pm. Childcare is available by registering on our website.

#### **SENIOR ADULTS | PRIMETIME LUNCHEON: APRIL 20 AT 11:15AM**

This will be a "MEMORABLE TIME" of encouraging fellowship, inspirational gatherings, and laughter! Join us in Central, doors open at 11:15am. Please register by 9:00am, April 15, 2024. The cost is \$15 per person.

#### **MEN'S RETREAT 2024 | APRIL 26-28**

Join us at Men's Retreat for a weekend of spiritual refreshment, fun, and an opportunity to connect and bond with other brothers in Christ!

*For more information & to register, visit [communitybible.com/events](https://communitybible.com/events)*

### *New Believers & First Time Guests:*

If you have accepted Jesus as your Savior, we'd like to celebrate with you! Text 'CHRIST' to 210-762-4747. If you are visiting for the first time, we want to welcome you! Stop by any yellow Connects kiosks for a free gift or text 'GUEST' to 210-762-4747 so we can reach out to you at a later time.

### *Needing Prayer?*

We have a pastoral team at our CBC Cares area in the lobby ready to pray with you, or you can scan this QR code to fill out a prayer request form.

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