



**January 10 and 13**

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**PRIMARY SCRIPTURE**

**Col 1:15-23**

**SECONDARY SCRIPTURE**

**Genesis 1**

**Luke 15: Parables of lost and found things and people**

**Luke 10: Good Samaritan**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. What was your understanding of God when you were a child?
2. In what ways has that understanding shifted now?
3. To paraphrase Paul, "God looks like Jesus." Take a moment to read Prodigal Son in Luke 15 and Good Samaritan in Luke 10. How does this reveal what God looks like?
4. Paul says that Jesus was present over creation. How does this expand your experience of Jesus or trust in Jesus?
5. Paul says that Jesus holds all things. Do you have an example of something you hold that is Jesus' to hold? What about something that is holding you that Jesus has the power to break?
6. Paul talks movingly about Jesus' ministry of reconciliation of his work of peace. When has peace been something you've had to work at?
7. Where have you seen Jesus reconcile something or someone?
8. Sometimes we overlook how Jesus has reconciled something within ourselves. For example, in my (Steve's) life, Jesus has reconciled conflicting desires in me and I am now more singular in what I want than I used to be.
9. Paul says that Jesus presents believers before God as without blemish and free of accusation. How does this inform your view of God? How might you rest in Christ when you either self condemn or are accused by others?
10. Spend some time praying over each other based on what you discussed.