

# Welcome Home: A House of Belonging

September 18, 2022

**Speaker:** Pastor Collin Savage

Scripture: Luke 15:11-27

**Sermon Overview:** Where do I belong? The age old question. Make yourself at home this week as we tackle the topic of belonging. You belong somewhere - Fully Seen. Fully Known. Fully Loved.

#### **Sermon Series Questions:**

- 1. Whose are you?
- 2. What does belonging mean to you?

### **Sermon Specific Questions:**

- 1. Pastor Collin used the example of Toy Story to describe a sense of belonging. Describe what/who you belong to. What comes to mind?
- 2. Where do you feel the most comfortable and welcome?
- 3. What safe spaces can you be the most authentic, even after you feel like you have really blown it?

#### **Digging Deeper:**

- What new insights have you gained by looking at whose you are and where you belong?
- Feel free to journal some of these promptings:
- I am part of God's kingdom people, the sheep of His pasture. (Psalm 100:3)
- I am redeemed by God; I am called by name; I am His. (Isaiah 43:1)

- I am Christ's; and Christ is God's. (1 Corinthians 3:23)
- I am a child of God. (Romans 8:14-16)
- But now in Christ Jesus I who once was far off have been brought near in the blood of Christ. (Ephesians 2:13)
- As a prodigal who has wandered and gotten into tough spots, I have come to my senses and accept the Father's forgiveness and restoration. (Luke 15:11-24)
- I want to live under my Father's roof in close proximity to Him and find my place and purpose in community with His kingdom people.
- Since I am surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
- \(\nsigma\) I also lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely,
- \( \sqrt{\text{ and I will run with perseverance the race that is set before me,} \)
- $\checkmark$  and I look to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of my faith... (Hebrews 12:1-2)

## **Practical Application:**

- House of Prayer meets Thursdays at 7:14 pm at Capital Turnaround. Join us every Thursday at Capital Turnaround. Visit <u>ncc.re/houseofprayer</u> for more details.
- Upper Room is a new community space dedicated solely to prayer. All are welcome. Upper Room prayer sets are at the Capital Turnaround (8th and L St. entrance).
- Join in Focused Prayer Set Times (visit times at ncc.re/hop):
  - Tuesdays, 9 am in the Upper Room
  - Wednesdays: Virtually 7:14 am on <u>Upper Zoom</u> (use link to fill out the form and see dates) and 7:14am in person at Upper Room
  - o Thursdays: 12pm in person
  - Visit times at ncc.re/hop
- Download the NCC app or visit <u>ncc.re/daily</u> to listen to short, daily teachings M-F accompanying this series.
- Join a small group <u>ncc.re/groups</u> to discover ways you can use your talents and passions to serve the various church campuses in-person and online.
- Make a Bible reading plan a daily discipline and connect with NCC Daily. (Download the NCC app to find our plan).