



Movies at The Cove

Part 2 – Lion

Discussion Guide

This week's movie, *Lion*, is the true story of one little boy's search for his family and his home. It reminds us how alone and lost we can feel, also. God has promised that He can be found, if we will seek Him.

Jump Start

Leader: This section is designed to get discussions started, examine God's truth and apply it to our week.

1. When is a time you lost something of great value? Did you search for it? Did you find it?
2. **Read [Psalm 120:7 and Proverbs 8:17](#)**. What do you think it means to search for God? What intangible are you searching for in your life right now (power, hope, love, joy, etc.)? How do you respond when you can't find the thing you're searching for?
3. **Read [Isaiah 57:10 and Galatians 6:9](#)**. Is it wrong to grow weary in your search for God? Why is growing weary sometimes necessary? What area of your life do you feel yourself growing weary in, and how can you stay motivated to persevere?
4. **Read [Ezekiel 34:16 and Luke 15:3-6](#)**. Who is doing the searching and who represents the flock? Why is the wording "my lost ones" so significant? When have you experienced God seeking after you?
5. Final Thought: **Read [Jeremiah 29:13](#)**. What does it mean to seek Him with all your heart? How do we know that we have found God? When have you truly experienced God's presence, and how did you know it was God?

Deeper

Leader: This section is designed for further use in your Life Group or for personal study. These can also be used as discussion points and ways to stay connected with your group throughout the week.

The idea of searching for God is complicated. Finding God differs from finding your keys or a lost piece of jewelry because people rarely get to see God here on earth. In fact, finding God can look like so many different things: experiencing salvation, hearing His voice and direction, finding peace, suddenly having a God-like perception and understanding of your situation. It is hard to say exactly what finding God will look like for you, but He is a Person, not an experience. We can learn how to search for God directly from Jesus! As we dive deeper, look at the words Jesus used to describe how to seek or search for God.

6. **Read [Matthew 6:31-34](#) and [Matthew 13:44-46](#).** What makes a search a search? After reading these passages, what does Jesus expect of our search for God? Have you sought God in the way these passages describe seeking?

7. **Read [Matthew 19:16-30](#).** If you had only read down to verse 20, would you say the young man was truly seeking God? Why? Why is the direct comparison between the disciples and this man so significant? What is Jesus eluding to when He says, "With man it is impossible, but with God all things are possible"?

8. **Read [Luke 11:1-13](#).** This passage almost sounds like we can wear God down through our prayers. Is this the case? How can lining up the way you pray with the way Jesus taught us to pray help you seek and find God?