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### 1. Invest: I \_\_\_\_\_ in Loving Relationships with Outsiders.

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But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." (Luke 15:2)

Then Jesus told them this parable: "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?" (Luke 15:3-4)

I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent. (Luke 15:7)

Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one... (Luke 15:8)

...Does she not light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, "Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin." (Luke 15:8-9)

So he got up and went to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him... (Luke 15:20)

Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found. So they began to celebrate. (Luke 15: 23-24)

### 2. Invite: I \_\_\_\_\_ People to Be My Guest at Church.

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### 3. Involve: I \_\_\_\_\_ New Attenders in My Small Group or Place of Service.

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. (Matthew 28:19-20)

#### Want to Go Deeper?

- Use the provided card to begin investing, inviting, and involving.
- As your relationships change, adjust the names on your "i3 Prayer Card" accordingly.
- If you are ready to come home to God, let us know and we will help you with the next steps.
- Memorize Mark 2:17.
- Read *Lost and Found* by Richey Stanley.

Please let us know the commitments you are making to God by using the Communication Card. We will pray for you!