

# The Parable of the Prodigal Son: The Lost Son

Luke 15: 11-24

## 1 *He said, "Give me"*

- a. My inheritance
- b. My independence
- c. The result:  
He wasted his life in wild living

## 2 *He met the day when he suffered and was in need*

- a. He suffered being destitute
- b. He suffered natural disaster
- c. He suffered humiliation
- d. He suffered hunger
- e. He suffered the loss of friends

## 3 *He came to his senses and snapped out of his insanity, back to reality*

- a. Thought of his father  
and his enormous provision
- b. Thought of his plight
- c. Thought of humbling himself:
  - 1) Of repenting
  - 2) Of confessing his sin  
and unworthiness

## 4 *He got up and returned to his father*

- a. He repented - turned from his sinful life
- b. He was accepted  
even before he confessed
- c. He confessed

11 Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons.

12 The younger one said to his father,  
'Father, give me my share of the estate.'  
So he divided his property between them.

13 Not long after that,  
the younger son got together all he had,  
set off for a distant country  
and there squandered his wealth in wild living.

14 After he had spent everything,  
there was a severe famine in that whole country,  
and he began to be in need.

15 So he went and hired himself out  
to a citizen of that country,  
who sent him to his fields to feed pigs.

16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods  
that the pigs were eating,  
but no one gave him anything.

17 When he came to his senses,  
he said, 'How many of my father's hired men  
have food to spare,  
and here I am starving to death!

18 I will set out and go back to my father  
and say to him:  
'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son;  
make me like one of your hired men.'

20 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;  
he ran to his son,  
threw his arms around him and kissed him.

21 The son said to him,  
'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.  
I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

**5** *He was accepted  
when he returned to the father*

- a. The father restored him
- b. The father fed the son  
and celebrated his son's return
- c. The father proclaimed  
his son's new life

22 But the father said to his servants,  
'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him.  
Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet.

23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it.  
Let's have a feast and celebrate.

24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again;  
he was lost and is found.'  
So they began to celebrate.