

The Parables of Jesus: The Prodigal Son Study Questions for June 25, 2023

1. In reflecting on Rembrandt's famous painting entitled "The Return of the Prodigal Son" what elements in the masterpiece help illuminate the parable for you?
2. In light of the class presentation, what aspects of the Parable of the Prodigal might you consider differently than before?
3. How does the Parable of the Prodigal Son prefigure the events that await Jesus in Jerusalem with his cross and resurrection?
4. What does the "far country" represent? Have you had an experience in life where you "left home" and traveled to a "far country" only to realize your failure and return home? What was that like for you?
5. Who have you known in your life most like the father in the parable?
6. How might you describe "elder brother" spirituality as exemplified by the older brother in the parable?