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Sermon Discussion Questions Kingdom Parables Part 3: The Parable of the Prodigal son

Read Luke 15:11-32

- 1. What happened to Jesus in chapter 15 before he told these three parables? (Lost Sheep, Lost coin, and Lost son) Luke 15:1-2. Why is this important to how it relates to the stories Jesus shared?
- 2. What was the younger son communicating when he asked for his share in the inheritance? What was the traditional response of father in the ancient middle east to such a request? What did the father do?
- 3. What did the older son do in response to the younger son's request? Why do you think he reacted that way?
- 4. Why was feeding pigs an insult to a Jew? (15:15-16)
- 5. How did the father react when he saw the younger son returning? How was he "paying the price" for the younger son to be reconciled? Do you remember what the different items of clothings represented? (Luke 15:22-23)
- 6. What was the older son's reaction? And how did the father react to the eldest?

Application:

- 7. What does this passage teach you about God and yourself?
- 8. Do you feel like the younger son or the older son? Or both? How can grow in feeling and knowing that God loves, forgives, and accepts you?

Prayer: Ask God to open your eyes to truly see yourself and your savior clearly.