

Luke Chapter 15 The Parable of the Prodigal Son

11 And he said, A **certain man had two sons:**

12 And the younger of them **said to his father**, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth *to me*. And he divided unto them *his* living. **13** And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and **took his journey into a far country**, and there **wasted his substance with riotous living**.

14 And when he had spent all, there **arose a mighty famine** in that land; and he began to be in want. **15** And he went and **joined himself to a citizen of that country**; and he sent him into his fields **to feed swine**. **16** And he would fain have filled his belly with the **husks that the swine did eat**: and no man gave unto him. **17** And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired **servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare**, and I perish with hunger! **18** I will **arise and go to my father**, and **will say** unto him, Father, I **have sinned** against heaven, and before thee, **19** And **am no more worthy** to be called thy son: **make me** as one of thy **hired servants**.

20 And he **arose**, and **came to his father**. But when he was yet a **great way off**, his father **saw him**, and had compassion, and **ran**, and **fell on his neck**, and **kissed him**. **21** And **the son said** unto him, **Father, I have sinned** against heaven, and in thy sight, and am **no more worthy** to be called thy son. **22** But the **father said** to his servants, **Bring forth the best robe**, and **put it on him**; and **put a ring** on his hand, and **shoes on his feet**: **23** And **bring hither the fatted calf**, and **kill it**; and **let us eat, and be merry**: **24** For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

25 Now his elder son was **in the field**: and as he came and drew nigh **to the house**, he **heard musick and dancing**. **26** And he called one of the servants, and **asked what these things meant**.

Luke 15:11-24 Wrong View of Dad

1. My Dad Made Decaf Coffee

German & Slavic background, Grandpa saved later in life.

Psalm 51:5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me. **Romans 5:12** Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

2. The Parable's Father

- a. He was probably the oldest
- b. He was caught off guard– vs. 11, 12
- c. He didn't know everything – vs. 20, 25, 26

3. My Heavenly Father

- a. Eternal Creator
Genesis 1:1; Exodus 3:14; Psalm 90:2; John 1:3;
Colossians 1:16, 17; Hebrews 1:8
- b. Omniscient Father
Psalm 139; Job 10:8; Isaiah 44:2; Jeremiah 1:5
- c. Cares for you personally
1 Peter 5:7

HOW SHOULD YOU RESPOND?

...in normal life

...to human fathers

...to our Heavenly Father

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. 1 Peter 5:7