

The Stories Jesus Told

Sermon #8

The Lost Sons Luke 15:11-32

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How do we see _____ in this story?

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We see our Father in three ways in this story.

1. We see him with an _____ saying, "I release you!" Luke 15:11-13
2. We see him with _____ saying, "I receive you!" Luke 15:20-24
3. We see him with an _____ saying, "I respect you!" Luke 15:25-32

How do we see the _____ son in this story?

- The titillations of the flesh beckoned a naïve son.
- This boy was _____ of his father's house and his father's righteousness; tired of it, sick of it.
- He had a will of his own, and he was exercising it. "This is my life, and these are my choices. This is what I am going to do."

This is a story of _____.

- Rebellion destroys our _____.
- Rebellion destroys our _____.
- Rebellion leads us to _____ in our behavior.

Repentance that is _____. 2 Corinthians 7:8-10

- Repentance requires _____. He comes to his senses.
Luke 15:17
- There is a difference between worldly _____ and _____.

How do we see the _____ son in this story? Luke 15:25-31

- The older brother was just as _____ as the younger brother.
- Self-righteousness is a _____ form of rebellion.

The unanswered questions?

- Did any of the Pharisees understand this story was about them? They were the older son. Matthew 21:28-31
- Do we grasp the play on words when we consider those around us?
- "This son of yours" Luke 15:30
- "This brother of yours" Luke 15:32