

The Prodigal Son

- I. Jesus Fills Up
 - A. Matthew 5:17-20
 - B. Jesus gives us insight into what the Father is looking for us to do.
 - C. He tells 2 parables in Luke 15, The Lost Sheep, The Lost Coin.
 - D. He then gives us a parable that further fills in the message He is teaching.

- II. The Younger Son
 - A. Luke 15:12 – Give me what I want.
 - B. Luke 15:14 – He spent it all. He did what he wanted.
 - C. Luke 15:16-19 – How many times does he say I?
 - D. The younger brother was simply wrapped up into himself.

- III. The Old Brother
 - A. Luke 15:25-27 – Hears that his brother has returned.
 - B. Luke 15:28-29 – Do you notice a similarity between the two brothers?
 - C. Luke 15:30 – He did not care that the brother returned home safe.
 - D. Again the subject was himself.

- IV. The Father
 - A. Luke 15:12 – The Father gave the gift that was not earned.
 - B. Luke 15:20 – Felt compassion and joy that the son returned.
 - C. Luke 15:23-24 – Celebrated the return of the lost.
 - D. Luke 15:31 – Continues to give.

- V. Conclusion
 - A. We cannot be the center of the story.
 - B. Jesus talks about the joy of finding the lost.
 - C. He shows us how God looks at us.
 - D. The Father cared more for others.