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### Lesson #6: PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL SON (LUKE 15:11-32)



The Bible says that Jesus told a parable about a man with two sons. A parable is a story that helps us understand something that is hard to understand.

In this parable there was a man who had two sons. The father knew that someday he would get old and die. When he died, all his money and his house and farm would be given to his two sons. This is called an “inheritance”.



The younger son wanted the money now, so he asked his father to give him his part. The father did. The younger son took the money and left home. He went to live in another country that was very far from his home.

He bought everything that he wanted. He spent money on parties. People liked him because he had lots of money. But soon the money ran out. He had no more money for parties. People stopped liking him. They weren't real friends. They only liked him when he bought them things. Now they did not even want to be around him.





There was a famine in the country where the son lived. That meant that there was hardly any food to eat. The son got a job feeding pigs. The son was so hungry that he wished he could eat the food the pigs were eating.

Finally, the son began to think about what he had done. He knew that he had been wrong. He wanted to go home but he thought his father would never forgive him.



The son went back home. He wanted to say he was sorry. He would not ask his father to let him live in the house. He would just ask if he could work for him like one of the other workers.

As the son got close to his father's house, he saw his father running to meet him. His father was so happy to see his son that he threw his arms around him and gave him a big hug and a kiss.



The son said he was sorry and didn't deserve to be his son. The father was so happy to see him that he wanted to celebrate. He loved his son and was happy to forgive him. He had a big party. He gave his son a beautiful robe, a ring, and sandals.

The older son was jealous. He had never left home and spent all the money... but nobody had a party for *him*. The father said, "I love you too. Don't you understand? I am so happy because my son has come home. I thought he was dead but now I know he is alive! Please, let's all be happy together."

We sometimes call this "The Prodigal Son." Prodigal means wasteful. The young son wasted his father's money and did bad things. Sometimes we do bad things too. When we tell God we are sorry, he is so happy! God loves us and forgives us!



# PRIMARY GRADES ACTIVITY

## The Parable of the Lost Son

Jesus told a story about a man who had 2 sons.

Circle the objects.



But his father rejoiced and hugged him.  
"My son was lost but now he's found!"

Connect the dots.

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- 3
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UPPER GRADES ACTIVITY



# Bible Quiz

## The Prodigal Son



Match the question with the answer on the right.

- \_\_\_\_\_ How many sons did the father have?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Which son asked his father for his inheritance?
- \_\_\_\_\_ After he left home, where did the son go?
- \_\_\_\_\_ What happened in the country where the son went?
- \_\_\_\_\_ After the son wasted his money, what job did he get?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Why did the son decide to return home?
- \_\_\_\_\_ What did the father do when he saw his youngest son in the distance?
- \_\_\_\_\_ What did the father give his son when he arrived home?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Who was not happy about the son's return?
- \_\_\_\_\_ What did the father do to celebrate his youngest son's return?

- 1. There was a famine
- 2. Feeding pigs
- 3. Good shoes, clothes and a ring.
- 4. The eldest son
- 5. Youngest son
- 6. Two
- 7. Far away country
- 8. Ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.
- 9. He came to his senses (repentance).
- 10. Killed a fatted calf and had a party.

**What do you learn about God in this parable?**

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