"Prodigal Son" Luke 15

1. In our passage today in Luke 15, we see the most famous of Christ's parables, the parable of the Lost Son or the Prodigal Son.

Look up the definition of "prodigal". What does it say?

- 2. In Act 1, the younger son demanded his share of his inheritance from his father. Why would this have been an unusual request?
- 3. The younger son goes off to a distant land and squanders away all of his money in wild living. How does his choices stand in contrast to his older brother?
- 4. In Act 2, a famine occurs and the younger son runs out of money and he has to work for a foreigner feeding pigs. Why would this job be considered detestable to a Jewish man?
- 5. In this low place, the younger son decides to go back to his father and work for him as one of his hired servants. We can imagine him rehearsing his speech with the pigs. As the son is returning home and is still a long way off, what 5 responses do we see from the father (v. 20)?

What 4 things does the father then give the son (vv. 22-23)?

- 6. Whose attitude is the focus of Act 2? Who did this person symbolize (see v. 2)?
- 7. What's our Father's response when the outsider and sinner comes to faith in Christ and is welcomed Home (v. 32)?