



LISTENING GUIDE

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The Lost Son

Luke 15:11-32

Our passage this morning is the last of three parables told by Jesus in Luke 15. Jesus shared these three parables with the Jewish religious leaders after they criticized Him for associating with sinners, and each one illustrates what it means to be lost and how the loving Father looks to save those who are lost! From this parable of *the lost son*, then, let's look at who we are, who we can be, and who God is—a heavenly Father who patiently waits for the sinner to come home.

Notice...

I. Open _____ (vv.11-16)

- For Jewish law concerning inheritance rights of the firstborn, see *Deuteronomy 21:17*
- The younger son turned his back on his _____ and turned to _____ (vv.11-13)
- See *Romans 3:23*

II. Open _____ (vv.17-20a)

- The younger son turned his back on _____ and turned to his _____ (vv.17-19)

III. Open _____ (vv.17b-24)

- God's open _____ are the invitation to our _____ !