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Biblical Family
IS THERE A PRODIGAL IN THE HOUSE?
Luke 15:11-24

Prodigal—Parents (Give me my share!) Luke 15:11-16

- **Prodigal.** Luke 15:12-16, 12:13-21; 2 Tim. 3:1-2; Hos. 10:1; Ex. 32:9
 - “I want what I want and I want it now.”
 - “You can’t tell me what to do.”
 - “I am tired of your values and your rules, and I am out of here.”
 - “I want my freedom and the right to control my own life.”
- Parents (What to do when they leave). Josh. 24:14-15; Gal. 5:1, 13, 16; 2 Cor. 5:7
 - Let them leave.
 - Let them make their own mistakes and choices.
 - Let them suffer the consequences of their decisions and choices.

Prodigal—Parents (Coming to one’s senses.) Luke 15:13-17

- Prodigal (What does it take and what do they lose?) Luke 15:13-17; Rev. 3:17; Ps. 66:18; Prov. 28:13; Eccl. 2:1-11; Matt 7:24-27
 - They have to hit bottom.
 - They lose in relationships with God and others.
- Parents (What to do in the meantime.) Luke 15:13-17; 1 Thess. 5:19; Phil. 4:6-7; James 1:5; Matt. 26:36-46; Is. 40:28-31; 2 Tim. 2:24
 - **Pray.**
 - Place them in the hands of God.
 - Patiently wait for God to work in them to return.

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