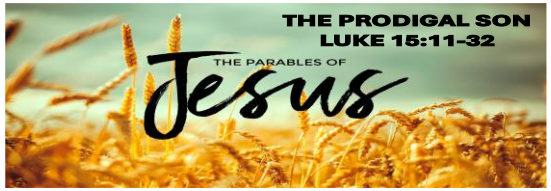

3) Looking in the _____! **– V. 17-19**

The wayward son finally came to his senses and for the first time _____ saw himself as he really was! – **Romans 3:12**

The _____ we have for a wayward child is that ____ to have had to experience our own life lessons that have made us acutely aware**:** There is often more truth in the pigpen of consequences than in all the _____ of the world!

4) _____ about the father! **– V. 20-24**

The father was _____ understanding of what it must have taken for his son to come home! He did not _____ for an apology or an explanation**;** he ran to his son and embraced him!

The reestablishment of son's standing was _____!

The religious Pharisees were _____ to recognize the loving nature and purpose of the God they were commissioned to preach from the Scriptures!

There is a vast difference between following a religion and being religious _____ being spiritual and filled with the Spirit!

2. The _____ Brother and the _____ Father – V. 25-32

1) The _____ of the older brother! **– V. 25-28**

The prodigal son represents the tax collectors and sinners while the older brother is a _____ of the Pharisees!

The older brother makes his disapproval of his father's actions _____!

He would rather _____ have fellowship with his father or his family than _____ in any form of restitution and forgiveness of his brother. – **Proverbs 13:10**

2) The _____ of a loving father! **– V. 28**

The love _____ by his earthly and Heavenly Father were foreign to him! – **Psalm 103:8**

3) The _____ of the older brother! **– V. 29-30**

Anger _____ attitudes every bit as contemptible as the attitude that led his brother to leave home. **–**

For the entirety of his life, he had been _____ out on the joy of being the son of a loving father! He was so close to his father and yet so far away!

Morally respectable and publicly approved, he was _____ from the Heavenly Father than the prodigal son ever was!

4) The _____ of the older brother! **– V. 31-32**

There is no _____ to this parable**?**

Did the older brother _____ or not**?**

This is the issue Jesus sets before the Pharisees and before _____! – **Psalm 103:8**

The older brother was judgmental and critical of those he deemed more sinful and _____ than himself!

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The bottom line is this: What we know of God is seen in how we view ourselves as _____ and how we deal with others as _____.
Grievance against God and others for what we deserve in the here and now is a _____ reflection of our understanding of God's redemptive and future plan for His people!