

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH - PART 1 OF 3

Series Title: Be Grateful: Having an Attitude of Gratitude

Lesson Title: The Ungrateful Prodigal Son Story

Key Scripture: Luke 15:11-24

Homework Instructions: This series will cover three weeks of lessons for the month of November (November 5th, 12th and 19th) and includes homework for each week.

You should complete the homework assignment for each week before class. However, you are welcome to go ahead and complete all homework assignments in advance if you would like to.

In this lesson, we'll learn about the power of being grateful – let's take a look at the parable of The Prodigal Son.

Read Luke 15: 11-24 and the section below to familiarize yourself with the story of The Prodigal Son. In addition, complete the Homework Questions at the end of the lesson.

The Ungrateful Prodigal Son Story

In Luke 15, Jesus tells a story of how an ungrateful son goes to his father one day and asks for his share of the inheritance while his father is still alive. The father actually agrees to give it to him. The son takes the money and, through a whole series of bad decisions, loses it all.

With nothing left of his fortune, he is forced to work as a hired hand for a pig farmer.

Things became so bad for the son that while he was feeding the pigs, he desired to eat their food because "no one was giving him anything" (**Luke 15:16**).

In his desolate state of hunger, the son came to his senses and realized that even his father's hired servants had food to eat. So, he humbled himself and journeyed back home with the plan of asking his father to be hired as a servant, thinking he no longer had the right to be recognized as a son due to his ungratefulness and reckless behavior.

When the father saw the son, he did the unthinkable — he received the son back with ecstatic joy and celebration, and he ran to meet his son while he was still a long way off (**Luke 15:17-20**).

The son was clothed, welcomed, and restored back to the family — as a son! All was forgiven, and all was restored!

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Read Luke 15: 11	-24 and answer	the following	questions.
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1.	How many sons did the Prodigal Son's father have?
2.	What did the youngest son ask his father to do while his father was still alive?
3.	Circle all the correct answers: When the Prodigal Son received his inheritance and took his journey into a far country, what happened to him?
	 a. He became very successful b. He wasted his substance with riotous living c. A mighty famine hit the land and he began to be in want d. He bought some land e. He fed the swine f. He longed to feed himself with the swine's food because he was so hungry
4.	What did the Prodigal Son say when he came to himself and repented (Luke 15: 17-19)?
	Verse 17:
	Verse 18:

	Verse 19:
5.	Circle the correct answer: After the Prodigal Son came to himself, where did he start his journey back to?
	a. His uncle's houseb. The mallc. Charles and Mary Scott's beautiful house to enjoy a southern home cooked meald. His father's house
6.	Circle the correct answer: What did the father do when he saw the Prodigal Son afar off?
	a. Knocked him upside his headb. Stayed in his house and watched his 75 inch Smart TVc. Had compassion, ran to him and kissed himd. Locked the door of his house
7.	What did the Prodigal Son say to the father when he saw him (Luke 15:21)?
8.	Circle the correct answers: What are all of the things the father did for the Prodigal Son to demonstrate he was forgiven and restored?
	a. He gave him the best robeb. He put a ring on his hand

c. He put shoes on his feet

d. He brought forth the fatted calf for him to eat