

Story 11 : The Prodigal Son

Main Bible verse
[Luke 15:32]

**But we had to celebrate and be glad. This brother of yours was dead.
And now he is alive again. He was lost. And now he is found.'**

Once upon a time, in a small town, lived a father with his two sons.

The father loved both his sons dearly.

The elder son was very obedient of his father but the younger son was a troublemaker who just liked to play.

Then one day, the younger son decided he wanted to leave his home and live on his own, because he thought he would be able to do whatever he wanted.

The younger son said to his father: "Father, give me my share of the estate now!

I want to leave home and live by myself!"

Although the father felt sad about his son leaving, he divided his property between his sons and gave the younger son his share as he had asked. Not long after that, the younger son left his father's home with his share of his father's property. He set off for a big and spectacular city, the younger son gathered his new friends and ate expensive food and drank expensive wine; and he bought expensive clothes and jewels and dressed as though he was a prince.

But eventually, he squandered all his wealth in wild living.

With all his money gone, his friends also left him. The younger son was penniless and alone.

In the end, the younger son, who could not stand being hungry anymore, hired himself out to a master.

The younger son was in despair. Then, he suddenly remembered his father.

He longed to see his father again. And so the younger son headed back to his home country.

But the closer he got to his father's home the more worried and anxious he became.





The younger son walked towards his father's home crying.

But from afar his father, who had been standing at the door, saw him.

The father had waited for his younger son to return every day from the day the younger son had left his home.

As soon as he saw his younger son, the father ran to him and threw his arms around him.

The father called to his servants.

"Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on my son. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet! And bring a fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate!"

The father held a big feast and rejoiced at the return of his son and at last, the younger son understood his father's unfailing love.



Activity 1.

Answer the following questions.

a. Why did the younger son want to leave the house?

b. What did the father do every day after the younger son left home?

c. Read Luke 15:11-32 and answer: What did the father do to the younger son when he returned?

● Read and memorize the Bible verse. (Luke 15:32)

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Activity 2. Look for 10 hidden images in the following pictures.

► letter, star, heart, candle, diamond, pencil, comb, pizza, egg, balloon.



Activity 3. Think about what we learned today and color the picture below.





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