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JESUS AND THE GRACIOUS FATHER

Luke 15

THE WORDS AND THE WAY
OF JESUS

SERMON QUESTIONS

- How do verses 1-2 set up Jesus' teaching in the rest of the chapter?
- What do the two parables in verses 3-10 teach us about God's heart toward sinners? How does this differer with how the religious leaders saw them?
- In the third parable, how is the "lost" son (verses 11-19) similar and different from the coin and sheep from the previous parables?
- What does the Father's response (verses 20-24) teach us about God's heart toward those who repent?
- Why does Jesus spend the remainder of this parable on the older son? What is Jesus teaching?
- Why do you think we struggle with attitudes of self-righteousness toward others? How do you feel about God's heart of compassion toward repentant sinners? How should this shape our attitude toward others?

MEMORY VERSE: LUKE 15:32

But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.