

The Path of Sin & Righteousness

Luke 15:11-24

Introduction:

- A. There are times when – with hindsight – we see the path that has lead to where we are.
- B. In this lesson we see two paths in the life of one individual: The parable of the “Prodigal Son.”

Discussion:

I. Sin

- A. Selfishness (“*give me*”) **v. 12**
- B. Separation (“*journeyed to a far country*”) **v. 13b**
- C. Sensuality (“*wasted his possessions with prodigal living*”) **v. 13c**
- D. Spiritual Destruction (“*and he began to be in want*”) **v. 14**
- E. Self-Abasement (“*sent him into his fields to feed swine*”) **v. 15**
- F. Starvation (“*gladly filled his stomach with what the swine ate*”) **v. 16**

II. Righteousness

- A. Realization (“*But when he came to himself*”) **v. 17**
- B. Resolution (“*I will arise ...*”) **v. 18a**
- C. Repentance (“*Father, I have sinned ...*”) **v. 18b-19**
- D. Reconciliation (“*And he arose and came to his father*”) **v. 20-21**
- E. Re-clothed (“*Bring out the best robe and put it on him ...*”) **v. 22**
- F. Rejoicing (“*... and let us eat and be merry*”) **v. 23-24**

Conclusion:

- A. God’s will brings forth redemption to all who return to Him after going down the path of sin.
- B. What path are you on?