



Shofar Christian Church

The Words and Works of Jesus

Part 4: The Good the Bad and the Father

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(Luk 15:1 ESV) Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him.

(Luk 15:2 ESV) And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

(Luk 15:3 ESV) So he told them this parable:

(Luk 15:4 ESV) “What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it?

(Luk 15:5 ESV) And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.

(Luk 15:6 ESV) And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.'

(Luk 15:7 ESV) Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

(Luk 15:8 ESV) “Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it?

(Luk 15:9 ESV) And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’

(Luk 15:10 ESV) Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

(Luk 15:11 ESV) And he said, “There was a man who had two sons.

(Luk 15:12 ESV) And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them.

(Luk 15:13 ESV) Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living.

(Luk 15:14 ESV) And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need.

(Luk 15:15 ESV) So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs.

(Luk 15:16 ESV) And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

(Luk 15:17 ESV) “But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger!

(Luk 15:18 ESV) I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.

(Luk 15:19 ESV) I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.””

(Luk 15:20 ESV) And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him.

(Luk 15:21 ESV) And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

(Luk 15:22 ESV) But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet.'

(Luk 15:23 ESV) And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate.

(Luk 15:24 ESV) For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

(Luk 15:25 ESV) "Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing.

(Luk 15:26 ESV) And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant.

(Luk 15:27 ESV) And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.'

(Luk 15:28 ESV) But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him,

(Luk 15:29 ESV) but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends.'

(Luk 15:30 ESV) But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’

(Luk 15:31 ESV) And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours.

(Luk 15:32 ESV) It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

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