



MISSION CREEK

Alliance Church

The Prodigal Son- Luke 15:11-22 Heros series

1. **Pastor Keith mentioned, “there is a prodigal in all of us.”** In what ways are we tempted to seek freedom, fulfillment, or identity apart from God? What does the “far country” look like in ordinary life?
2. **The younger son “came to his senses” when he remembered his father.** What helps you remember the goodness and character of God when you have begun to drift away from Him?
3. **Turning around required the son to admit that he was wrong.** Why can repentance—acknowledging our sin and changing direction—be so difficult? Is there an area of your life where God may currently be inviting you to “turn around”?
4. **The father was watching for his son and ran toward him with compassion.** How does this picture compare with the way you naturally imagine God responding when you fail? What might change in your relationship with God if you really believed He responds to the repentant with this kind of compassion?
5. **The son planned to repay his father, but the father interrupted that part of his speech.** Where are you tempted to try to *earn* your way back into God’s favour—through good behaviour, religious activity, guilt, or trying harder? What would it look like instead to simply receive His grace?
6. **The father not only forgave his son; he restored his identity and place in the family.** Are there past failures, regrets, or labels that you still allow to define you? How might seeing yourself as a restored son or daughter of God change the way you live?
7. **The sermon describes the younger son as an unlikely hero because he “swallowed his pride and walked the sinner’s road home.”** What would taking one step

toward the Father look like for you this week? And how can this group help one another have the courage to keep turning toward Him?