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Your Prodigal Story

The Golden Child – Luke 15:25-32

Where We've Been... (Luke 15:1-10)

Jesus is surrounded by

- Tax collectors & sinners
- Pharisees & religious teachers

Three Parables

1. Lost sheep (Luke 15:1-7)
2. Lost coin (Luke 15:8-10)
3. Lost _____ (Luke 15:11-32)

The Older Brother

Always _____ Sometimes _____ Never _____

- ___ When things go wrong in my life, I get upset or bitter.
- ___ When someone hurts me I have a tough time forgiving.
- ___ I know I'm supposed to go to church to please God.
- ___ I think my good deeds would outweigh my bad deeds.
- ___ I wonder if God loves me though I try hard to obey him.
- ___ Sharing the gospel isn't really a priority for me.
- ___ I'm glad I'm not as bad as some people I know.

Two Ways to Get Lost (Tim Keller, *Prodigal God*)

1. _____ all the rules
2. _____ all the rules

We need to not only repent of everything we've ever done wrong; we need to repent of all the reasons why we've ever done anything right.

When Goodness Doesn't Pay Off

1. We get _____.
2. We _____ ourselves to others.
3. We become _____ and _____.

No need for a Savior?

If you're depending on your goodness, Jesus is _____ your _____.

Jesus leaves the response _____... so the question becomes: How will you respond to the Father's invitation?

"Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

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- I am the **younger brother** running home to Jesus today

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3. Breaking all the rules
4. Keeping all the rules

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When Goodness Doesn't Pay Off

4. We get angry.
5. We compare ourselves to others.
6. We become unforgiving and judgmental.

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Jesus leaves the response open-ended... so the question becomes: How will you respond to the Father's invitation?

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