

Sunday AM Sermon – June 27, 2021

Family Roots: Gratitude

Luke 15:11-20a



No doubt you've heard about the importance of having an attitude of gratitude. But do you really believe it? Does such an attitude change your life in real ways? Can it even change the way your family functions and relates? In one of Jesus' parables ingratitude almost killed the family.



1. Mark the number of times you hear these words:
Prodigal –
(In)gratitude –
Father –

2. Where does every good and perfect gift come from?
3. What are two of the keys to knowing Father and being a strong disciple?
4. Scene #1: A _____ (11-12)
5. What was life at home with the prodigal probably like?
6. Scene #2: A _____ (13-16)
7. How do people's minds become dark and confused (Romans 1:20-21)?
8. Describe how the prodigal's life changed after he left home.
9. Scene #3: A _____ (17-20a)
10. What do you think was the key to the young prodigal that brought him to his senses?
11. Scene #4: A _____ (25-30)
12. Who were Jesus' two audiences?
13. What was Jesus' message to His two audiences?
14. Why did Jesus return home and obey His parents at the age of 12?
15. What makes the father the hero of Jesus' story?



Faith Talk, Faith Walk

Spend time with family or friends (maybe over a meal or during a family devotional) discussing the following related to the sermon

Faith Talk: How has gratitude or ingratitude affected your family? Explain.

Faith Walk: Be a thermostat: Start warming your home by practicing and spreading a spirit of gratitude.

If you are here and have been touched or convicted by something said or done today we would love to study the Bible with you and introduce you more fully to our Savior, Jesus Christ. Just call the church office at 795-4377 and we will set something up. God bless you!

Next Sunday AM Sermon – Family Roots: Integrity (Acts 5:1-11)

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Discussion Starter Questions

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1. Inheritances are gifts. What is helpful to remember when we receive them?
2. What is a prodigal and what kind of attitude did he display that hurt his family?
3. What do you think about the prodigal son's deadly wish?
4. The prodigal son thought he was finally going to get a chance to live the good life. What decisions and attitudes contributed to his precipitous fall?
5. The Bible says that the prodigal remembered how his father treated servants better than he was being treated and that he came to his senses. What brought about his new outlook?
6. In what way was the son who stayed home just as much a prodigal as the son who went off into wild living?
7. Prodigals bring a lot of pain to families. In culture where a sense of entitlement is common, what will keep us from becoming prodigals who hurt our families?