

Two Prodigal Paths

SERIES: Prodigal

"I almost felt I had discovered the secret heart of Christianity."
-Tim Keller about the Parable of the Prodigal Son

™ ONE KIND OF PRODIGAL: A slave to <u>self</u>

Luke 15:1; 11-24

ANOTHER KIND OF PRODIGAL: A slave to <u>duty</u>

Luke 15:2: 25-32

M ONE SOLUTION FOR BOTH OF THEM:

Exchange slaving for celebrating

Luke 15:22-24; 31-32



- 1. What would your rule be about the time change? Stick with earlier sunrise year-round? Stick with later sunset year-round? Change the day of the week that it happens? Change the time of the day that it happens? Other?
- 2. Read Luke 15:1-2 and 15:11-31 and review the outline. How familiar were you with this parable before Sunday? What was a new insight for you?
- 3. Doug said there isn't just one prodigal in this parable, but two. What evidence do you see for this?
- 4. What was the younger son motivated by? How did it work out for him? How would you describe his prodigal spirit?
- 5. What was the older son motivated by? How did it work out for him? How would you describe his prodigal spirit?
- 6. In what ways was the younger son a slave? How about the older son?
- 7. What was the father's desire for each of his sons? Was it the same for both, or different?
- 8. What do we learn about the prodigal spirit in us? Have you ever grown distant from the Lord in your journey with Him? Was it more like the younger son or the older one?
- 9. Are there any prayer requests or praises you'd like to share with your group?