

A Word of Thanks

- Your continued support, both individually and congregationally
- Your continued interest in and support of our work
- Your prayers





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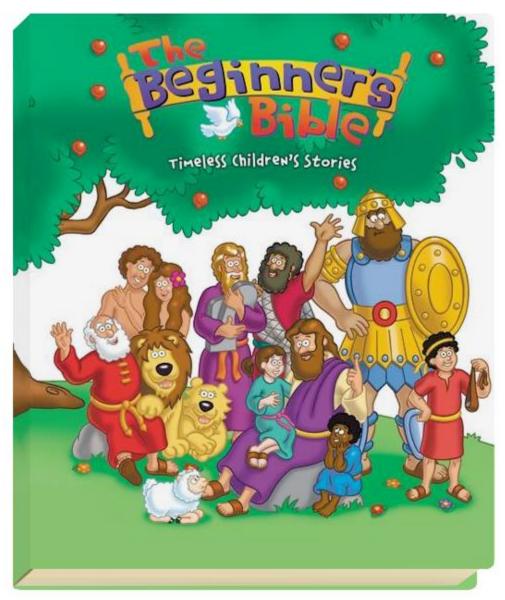
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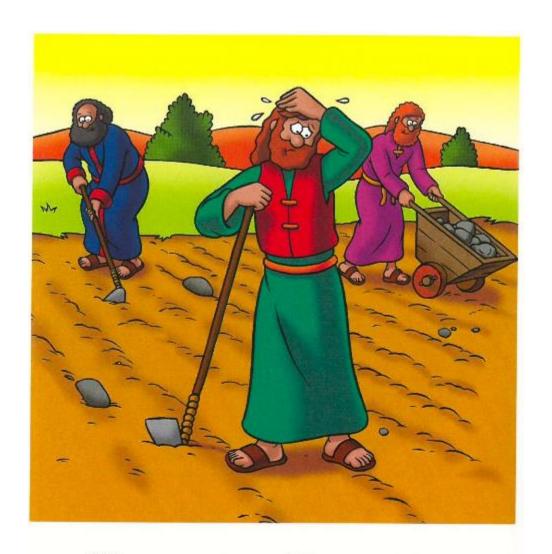


The Lost Son

Luke 15:11-32

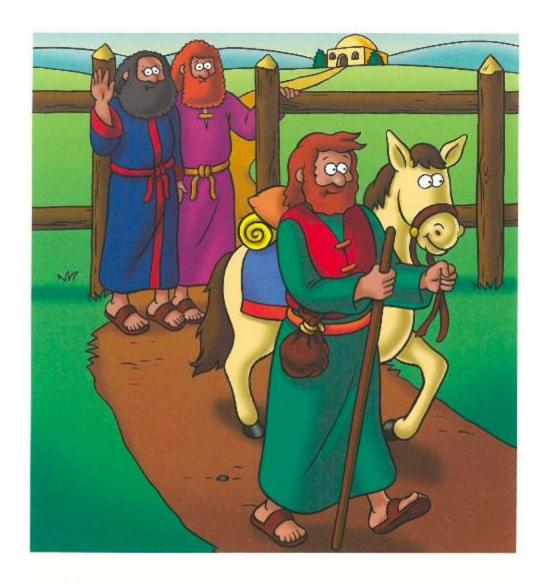
Jesus told another parable about God's love. "There was a man who had two sons," said Jesus. "He owned a big farm."





"His youngest son did not want to work anymore. He wanted to travel and have fun. So he asked his father for his share of the family money."





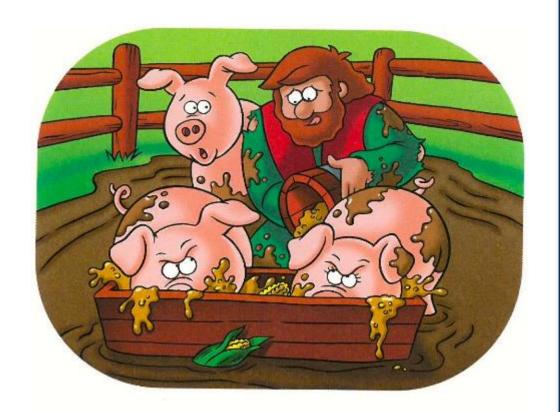
"The son got the money. He packed his things and left. He couldn't wait to see the world! His family was sad to see him go."





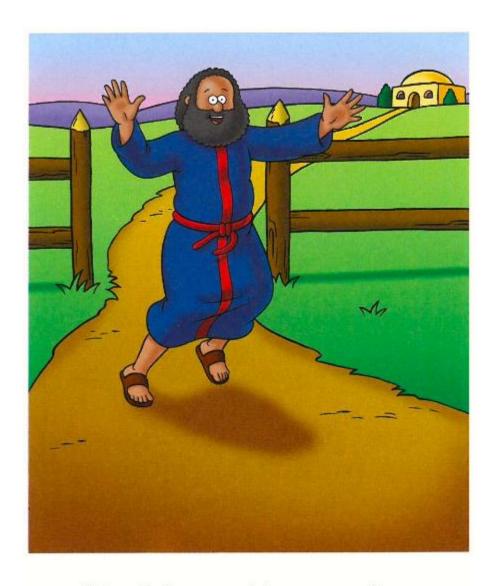
"At first he had fun spending the money. He bought expensive clothes, and he ate fancy food. But soon all the money was gone."





"He had to go to work and he got a job with a pig farmer. He was so hungry that even the pigs' food looked good. The son wanted to go back home. He said, 'I will tell my father I am sorry for what I have done. I do not deserve to be called his son. Maybe he will let me work for him."





"The father saw his son coming down the road. His eyes filled with tears as he ran to greet him."



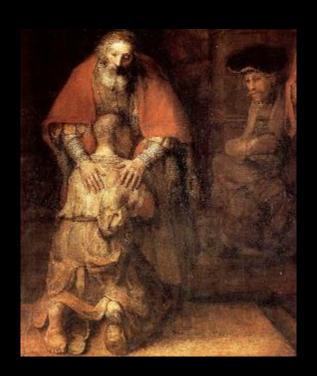


"The son said, 'Please forgive me, Dad.'
That night, they had a big party.
The father exclaimed, 'My son
was lost, but now he's found.'"



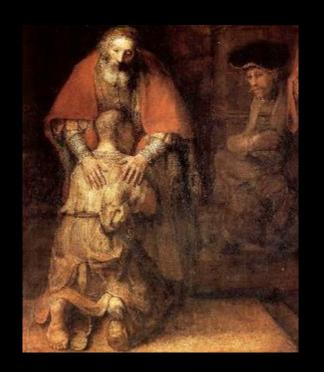












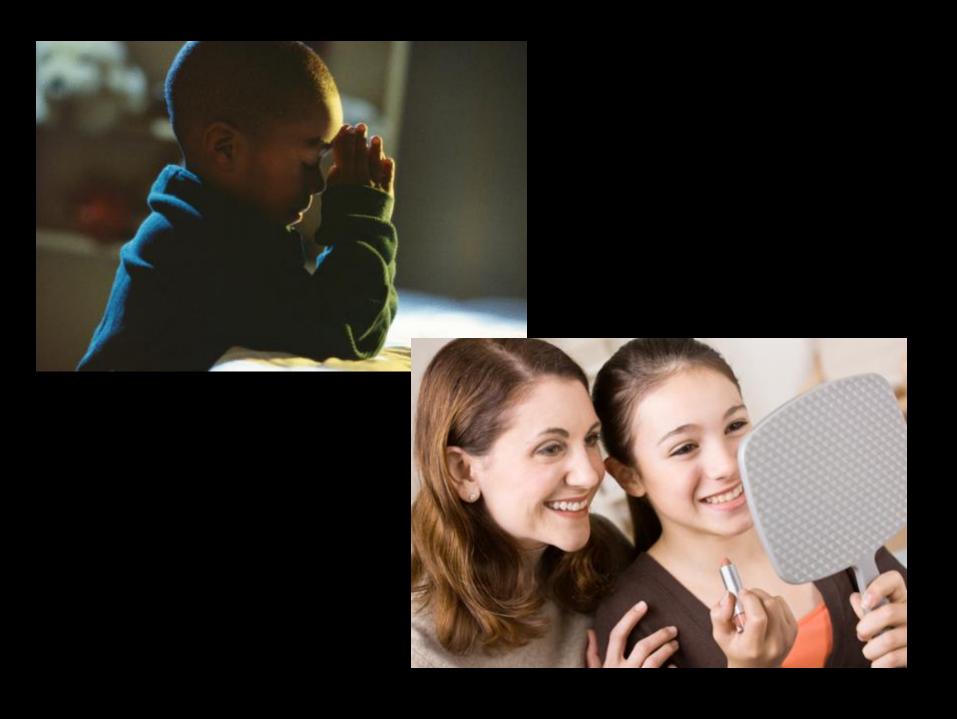


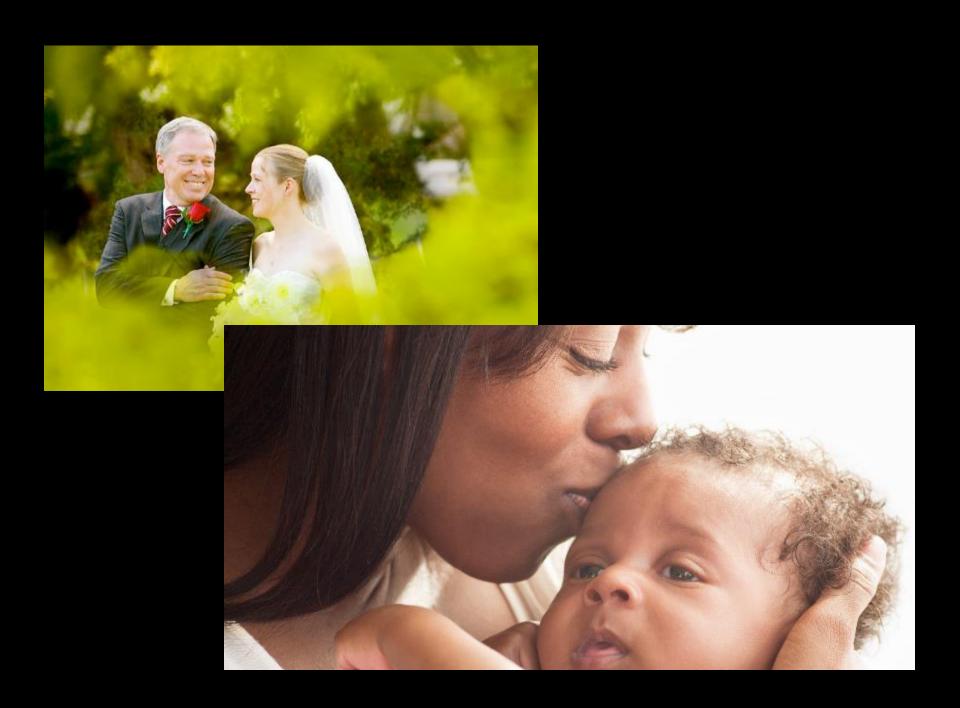


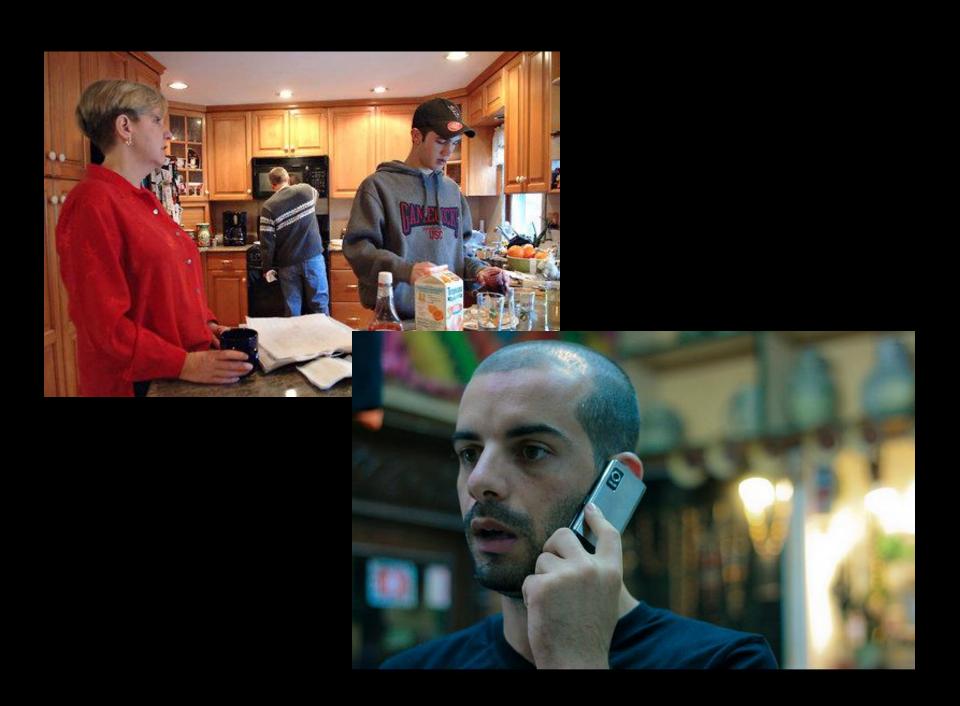




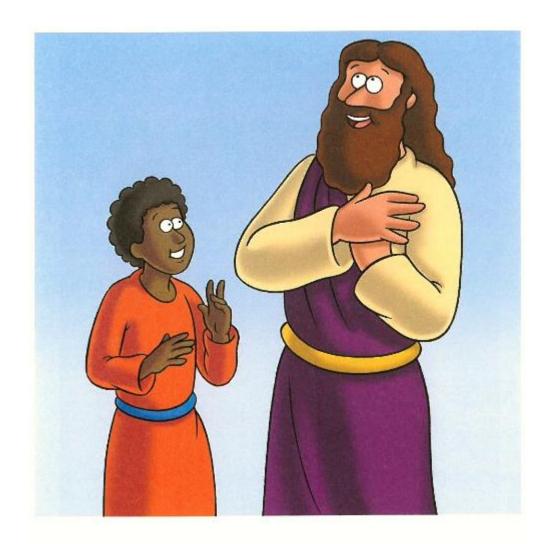












Jesus explained his story.

"God is like this father. He is full of love and joy when people who are lost come back to him."

