"The Parable of the Lost Son"

Sunday, October 21/18
AVBC 10:30 am

Luke 15:11-32

Luke 15:24 (NLT) “For this son of mine was dead and has now returned to life. He was lost, but now he is found.’ So the party began.”

What is a Parable and Why did Jesus tell this one? (Luke 15:1-2)

3 perspectives

1) The Younger Son (vs. 12-20a)

- ... is: ___________ / ___________
- ... is: ________________
- ... is: ________________

2) The Father (vs. 20b-24)

- ... is: ________________
- ... is: ________________
- ... is: ________________

3) The Older Son (vs. 25-32)

- ... is: ________________
- ... is: ________________
- ... is: ________________ (“never” vs. “always”)

What is this Parable REALLY all about?

- 3 groups of people (which one are you?)
- God’s amazing love and grace!

Colossians 1:19-20 “… and through him to reconcile to himself all things…”

Digging Deeper
(For use in personal/family devotions or with your care group)

Q1: Have you ever received and inheritance? What did you do with it?
Q2: Describe a time you “came to your senses,” and reversed a bad decision you made.
Q3: Describe the younger son in this parable? The older son? What drives or motivates each of them?
Q4: What is the greatest expression of grace that anyone other than God ever extended to you? Was it difficult for you to receive such grace? How did that affect you?
Q5: Read 2 Corinthians 5:18-19. What does it mean for us to be given the “ministry of reconciliation”?
Q6: Read Romans 5:10-11. Are you living as if you have been reconciled to fellowship with God? Consider the promises of Isaiah 1:18