



## **The House Of Plenty**

And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger ( Luke 15:17 ).

Here is a parable today, that touches the hearts of many. Jesus began to tell this parable to the publicans, sinners, scribes, and the Pharisees.

A certain man had two sons. The younger son told his father he wanted all that was coming to him, as he was leaving home.

He wanted to live his own life.

He was tired of authority.

He was tired of being told what to do.

He wanted his freedom and liberty.

He had no interest in going to college.

He just wanted to drift about and see the world.

He had no goals in his life to achieve, He just wanted to be a drifter.

Friend, if you have the same feelings, I want you to listen close to this story today.

You think the grass is greener on the other side, listen to the story of the prodigal son.

The father was probably heartbroken, but he wanted his son to be happy. He wanted his son to make his own choice in life.

The younger son took his money, and his belongings, and went into a far country. He got far away from home as possible.

There was no more father to look after him.

There was no more daily chores to do at home.

Now he could do things his own way, something he always wanted to do.

He began to spend money on the things of this world. He began to party around. He began to drink and gamble. He thought to himself, "Boy, isn't this fun?"

"Why did I wait so long to leave home?"

"This is sure nice."

"I can stay out as late as I want."

From one bar to another, from one party to another, from one pleasure to another, fulfilling his hearts desire. He sat at the devils table of sex, drugs, and wine.

He woke up one morning, and realized he had spent all his money; it was all gone. Money just goes so far you know.

Always remember this:

There always comes an end to the insanity of sin.

There always comes an end to the misery of sin.

Sin will rob you of everything you have.

Sin will rob you of your sanity.

Sin will rob you of your conscience.

Sin will rob you of your honor.

Sin will leave you moral bankrupt.

There came a famine in the land, and he began to want for food. He could no longer buy groceries at the store. He could no longer pay his rent. He could no longer afford the luxury of sin.

He had to support himself. He had to sleep somewhere. He had to eat. He was not skilled in an occupation. Who would hire him? What would he do?

Tell me sin doesn't strip you naked and leave you bare. Sin will make a fool out of you.

He finally landed a job, feeding pigs. Sure it was dirty and sloppy, but he needed a job. No one felt sorry for him. No one gave him something to eat. He was a loner.

He got hungry; he almost began to eat husks with the pigs. How would you like living on pig food?

He said, "I perish with hunger."

The Bible says, he came to himself.

He finally wised up.

He finally came to the realization that he made a mistake.

He finally realized the insanity of sin.

He made the greatest decision in his life.

Friend, you need to come to yourself today. You need to get a hold of your life. You need to wake up and realize your pitiful condition.

You don't have to live in sin.

You don't have to sleep with the pigs.

You don't have to eat pig food.

You don't have to smell like a pig.

The prodigal son said, "In my father's house, there is bread to spare." While he was perishing with hunger, there was a house of plenty.

Friend, while you are perishing with hunger, there is plenty in the house of God. There is a house of plenty waiting for you.

In the house of plenty, there is love.

In the house of plenty, there is forgiveness.

In the house of plenty, there is joy.

In the house of plenty, there is fellowship.

In the house of plenty, there is bread to spare.

In the house of plenty, there is healing.

In the house of plenty, there is clothing.

In the house of plenty, there is salvation.

The prodigal son said, "I will arise and go to my father, and tell him I have sinned against him."

Why don't you rise today, and come home to your Heavenly Father? Why don't you confess you have sinned against God? Confess your sins today, and He will pardon you.

The prodigal son finally came home to the house of plenty. He was greeted by his father upon return.

They brought forth the best robe and clothed him.

They put shoes on his feet.

They put a ring on his finger.

They killed the fatted calf, and had a steak supper.

They threw a welcome home party.

He was once lost, but now he was found.

Friend, let me say today; God has the table ready for you. All Heaven is waiting for your return.

Come home to the house of plenty.

All will be forgiven, and all will be forgotten.

All will be peace and joy for you.

You will be spiritually restored as a child of God.

Please come home today, your Heavenly Father is waiting with His arms outstretched.