

Come Home to God

SERIES: "COMING HOME THIS CHRISTMAS"
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Key Passage:

See: *Luke 15:11-32 (NIV)*

What Luke's Passage Tells us About God:

- The Bible Shows Me That: God is patient enough to _____.

Luke 15: 20 (NIV)

"...While he (the son) was still a long way off, his father saw him..."

2 Peter 3:9 (NIV)

"He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."

- The Bible Shows Me That: God is passionate enough to _____.

Luke 15:20 (NIV)

"... he RAN to his son!"

Luke 15:20 (NIV)

"...threw his arms around him and kissed him."

Psalms 145:17 (NIV)

"The Lord is loving toward all He has made."

- The Bible Shows Me That: God is forgiving enough to _____.

Luke 15:21 (NIV)

"I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, I am no longer worthy to be called your son."

Daniel 9:9 (NIV)

"The Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against him."

How Can I Make it personal?

1. Jesus Desires That I Come: _____

Luke 15:17 (NIV)

"When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have food to spare, and here I am starving to death...'"

Romans 13:11 (NLT)

"Another reason for right living is that you know how late it is; time is running out. Wake up..."

2. Jesus Desires That I Come: _____!

Luke 15:18 (NIV)

"...and say to him: 'Father, I have sinned...'"

Proverbs 28:13 (NLT)

"People who cover over their sins will not prosper. But if they confess and forsake them, they will receive mercy."

3. Jesus Desires That I Come: _____!

Luke 15:18 (NIV)

"...I will set out and go back to my father..."

Ephesians 3:12 (NLT)

"Because of Christ and our faith in him, we can now come fearlessly into God's presence, assured of his glad welcome."

4. Jesus Desires That I Come: _____!

Luke 15: 22-24 (NIV)

"But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate."

Romans 5:11 (TLB)

"Now we rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God – all because of what our Lord Jesus Christ has done in dying for our sins – making us friends of God."

ANSWER KEY:

Not give up; Show extreme love; Accept me; To my senses; Clean; Home; Celebrate