

I. **Luke 15:11-24**

A. **V12** - Asks for his portion of inheritance

1. **Portion** - *meros* - Division or share, allotment; part in contrast to a whole.
2. **Goods** - *ousia* - Substance, property, wealth, riches
3. **Falls** - *epiballo* - To come to belong by right or inheritance
4. **Divided** - *diacres* - Distribute on basis of implied distinctions
5. **Livelihood** - *bios* - Life, resources one has; possessions
6. **Rom 12:6** 6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them:
7. **Eph 1:18** 18 the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the *riches* of the glory of His inheritance *in the saints*.

B. **V13** - Chooses the gift over the Giver

1. **Prodigal** - *asotos* - Lacking restraint, excessive, senseless, reckless living; to live without thinking.
2. **Wasted** - *diaskorpizo* - To dissipate or separate; to squander. Spread thin or scatter; gradually vanish; spend foolishly and to no purpose.

C. **V14** - Lack of supply leads to inferior life

1. **Spent all** - Spend completely, uselessly; nothing left
2. **Began** - *archomai* - To commence, initiate an action, process or state of being.
3. **In want** - *hustereo* - To fall short, be deficient, to be inferior
4. **Severe famine** - Scarcity of food
5. **“In want”** - To be inferior, mediocre, lower degree or status

D. **V15** - Joins himself to the wrong crowd

1. **Joined** - *kollao* - To glue, stick or cling to
  - a) **Matt 19:5** 5 For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be **joined** to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.

E. **V16** - Son reaches rock bottom

1. **Pods** - *keration* - Food for cattle or pigs; in times of distress were the nourishment of the very poorest of people.

F. **V17** - Comes to himself

1. **Came to himself** - He remembered who he was and “whose” he was.

G. **V18-19** - Declares his intentions

1. **I will arise** - *anistemi* - To stand up; to rise up in open defiance of authority and overthrow it or act in opposition to its demands.

H. **V20** - Father’s heart revealed

1. **Compassion** - *splagchnizomai* - To be moved inwardly with affection. Love, sympathy and compassion.
2. **Fell** - *epiipto* - To embrace with affection; to seize
3. **Kissed him** - Sign of affection and reconciliation.

I. **V21-24** - Father’s intentions override the son’s

1. **Bring out the best robe** - THE principal robe; The righteousness of Jesus

