23.04.02 The Parable of the Compassionate Father Luke 15:11 – 32 Notes

INTRODUCTION

This morning our examination of the father in the parable can help us to understand even more clearly:

**What is necessary to those who are from God?**

1. **God’s my sinfulness.**

Luke 17:11 – 19

1. **The two brothers are yet very much the**  Luke 15:11 – 13

The  brother is representative of the sinners and tax collectors.

The  brother represents the  and scribes who are grumbling about the sinners and tax collectors. Luke 15:25 – 30

1. **Don’t love God to from Him.**

Thank God for being a  .

Wherever you stand in your faith, ask yourself:

Do I have a  with Him?

Am I   ?

Do I need to  and come back to the Father?

Remember that    with open arms.

1. **Focus foremost on** **the undignified, abnormal, self-abasingbehavior of the father.** Luke 15:18 – 24
2. **Strive to be like your , , self-abasing Father in heaven.** Leviticus 19:2; Matthew 5:43 – 38

Seek to  like the  with those around you, by offering undignified grace and love to those who are far from God—even those who have wronged you!

Don’t   on what you will do or won’t do.

Don’t be afraid to   in loving others.

Be like the Father who  his loving son to love you.