

### **The Patient Father**

#### **The father \_\_\_\_\_ his son (Luke 15:11-13)**

- I. The younger son asks for his inheritance (Luke 15:12)  
(By asking for his inheritance, the younger son was saying that his father was \_\_\_\_\_)
- II. The younger son leaves for a distant country and \_\_\_\_\_ his money on “wild living” (Luke 15:13)

#### **The son is \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 15:14-24)**

- I. The younger son is \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 15:14-20a)
- II. The father \_\_\_\_\_ the younger son (Luke 15:20b-24)
- III. The father throws a \_\_\_\_\_ for his son (Luke 15:22-24)  
(Why? The son had been \_\_\_\_\_)

#### **The father \_\_\_\_\_ his other son (Luke 15:25-32)**

- I. The older son complains to the father (Luke 15:25-30)
- II. The response of the father (Luke 15:31-32)
  - A. You get \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. We celebrate because your brother was once rebellious but now is \_\_\_\_\_

### **Questions to Ponder**

- I. Which bother do you most identify with?
  - A. The younger brother – tends to be \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. The older brother – tends to be \_\_\_\_\_ of others
- II. Wives
  - A. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ the father of your children?
  - B. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ the father of your children?
  - C. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ the father of your children?
  - D. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ for the father of your children?
- III. Children (all ages)
  - A. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ your father because of his responsibilities to the family?
  - B. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ your father?  
(Three stages of honoring your father)
    1. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ them when you are growing up

2. Seeking and listening to their \_\_\_\_\_ when you become an adult
3. \_\_\_\_\_ for them when they near the end of their life

C. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ for your father?

#### **IV. Fathers**

- A. Are you the \_\_\_\_\_ leader in your home?  
(This will be your greatest success or failure as a father)
- B. Are you \_\_\_\_\_ of your family’s respect?
- C. Do you make \_\_\_\_\_ for your family?
- D. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the mother of your children?
- E. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ your children
- F. What is the \_\_\_\_\_ thing you can give your children?  
(A \_\_\_\_\_ foundation)

### **What makes a father special?**