



Come Home to the Father

Scripture: Luke 15:11–24; 1 John 1:9

Jesus Is Speaking to You

Have you ever felt like you needed to get your life together before coming back to God?
Maybe you've made mistakes you deeply regret.
Maybe you've wandered farther than you ever thought you would.
Or maybe your heart has simply grown distant, and you don't know how to find your way back.

Now don't miss this.

If that's where you are today, I want you to hear something that can change everything.
Jesus is not standing with folded arms, waiting to condemn you.
He is inviting you to come home.
That invitation has always been at the heart of the gospel.

What Is Jesus Teaching You?

When Jesus told the story of the prodigal son, He wasn't simply telling a story about a son who had wandered. Understand, He was revealing the heart of the Father.

The son rehearsed a speech. The father prepared an embrace.
The son expected rejection. The father ran to meet him in celebration.
That's the heart of your Heavenly Father.

Understand, repentance is not convincing God to love you again.
Repentance is turning your heart back toward the One who has loved you all along.
Every step toward Him is met by His grace.

A Lie You May Be Believing

Maybe you've believed that you've gone too far. So many people feel they are a lost cause.
That your failures are too great.
That if people knew everything about your life, they would walk away—
and that means God would too. However, Jesus tells a different story.

He shows you a Heavenly Father who welcomes the one who repents with open arms.
The enemy whispers, "*Stay away until you've cleaned yourself up.*"
Jesus shouts out, **"Come to Me."**
The lie tells you to hide. The Savior invites you into the light.
Understand, His grace is always greater than your deepest failure.



What Difference Does This Make?

Now don't miss this.

When you understand repentance through the heart of the Father, you stop seeing it as something to fear. You begin to see it as a gift.

Repentance becomes the place where burdens are laid down.

Where forgiveness is received.

Where fellowship is restored.

Where joy returns.

Understand, it is not the end of your journey.

It is often the beginning of a deeper walk with Jesus Christ.

Every time you turn toward Him, you discover again that His mercy is new.

How Should This Shape the Way You Live?

Is there an area of your life that you've been trying to hide from God?

You don't have to pretend with Him.

He already knows. And He still loves you.

Take sometime today and speak honestly with your Heavenly Father.

Confess what He has already brought to your heart.

Receive His forgiveness with gratitude.

Then leave that burden with Him. Don't pick it up again.

Walk forward with the confidence that you have been forgiven through Jesus Christ.

Because you have.

A Prayer

Father, thank You for loving me with an everlasting love.

Thank You that because of Jesus Christ, I can come to You just as I am.

Search my heart and reveal anything that keeps me from walking closely with You.

Give me a heart that is quick to repent, quick to receive Your forgiveness, and quick to follow Your Son. Thank You that Your mercy is greater than my failures.

In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

An Invitation

Before you continue with your day, find a place where you can be alone with the Lord.

Read the Scriptures again. Then simply pray,

"Father, is there anything You are inviting me to surrender to You today?"



Don't be afraid of what He may reveal.

The One who convicts your heart is the same One who loves you completely.

As you spend time with Him, you'll discover that repentance is not about running from God in shame. It is about running to your Heavenly Father, who delights in restoring His children.

Understand, every time you come home to Him, you'll find His arms are still wide open to receive you.