

"Don't ever leave the Father!"

Luke 15:11-32 – a story of <u>a son who LEFT the Father</u>...who <u>RAN AWAY from his Father</u>, <u>chose sin</u> and <u>then came back home</u> with <u>true repentance</u> from the sinful lifestyle <u>that he chose to support and live!</u>

• It truly is an incredible story of our Heavenly Father's love and mercy when we choose to go live in sin and then realize that we need to come home to God!

I've seen some very sinful things this week locally and around the nation

- I've seen people that claim to be Christian support open sinful lifestyles.
- People are leaving the Heavenly Father and loving the world instead!
- We Are at a Crossroads! If our nation does not pick the right road, then our nation goes
 down the wide <u>HWY to Hell and the individuals choosing it</u>! <u>Matthew 7:13-15</u>
- The <u>Bible</u> is <u>CRYSTAL CLEAR</u> on why Jesus came to this earth from Heaven!
- He died for the sins of all humanity to save us! Many ignore this invitation and life!
- <u>The Bible says</u> that we are to turn to God, repent of ALL sin and sinful lifestyles and any support of any sinful lifestyles! We are to confess Jesus Christ ALONE as Lord and Savior! (Jesus does not endorse, tolerate or accept any sin!)
- In John 14:6, Jesus made it very clear that the <u>ONLY way to Heaven</u> is through Him and no one else!
- When it comes to sin...He told the woman in sexual sin in John 8 to "go and SIN NO MORE!" (Don't participate in it and do not have any support of it!)

1. You have to pick a side!

- 2 Timothy 3:14-16 / 2 Peter 1:19-21 You have to pick the side of either believing that the Bible is God's actual Word or not! Your choice today!
- Psalm 119:105 / Psalm 119:130 The Bible is light! Without it is total darkness in life!
- Hebrews 4:12 The Bible is for real! It is the Word of God!
- Deuteronomy 30:19 You pick either life or death / blessing or cursing! Your choice!
- Joshua 24:15 You have to pick a side for you and your family!
- Kings 18:18-40 You have to pick a side! God has a side and so does Satan!
- Galatians 5:13 / 5:16-23 You pick either the world of sin and produce its fruit, or you pick Jesus and the Holy Spirit produces His fruit in your life! **Your choice!**
- Jesus created man and woman and not anything else...you have to pick a side!

- Jesus created marriage between a man and a woman...you have to pick a side!
- Jesus created our heart and mouth...you have to pick a side on how you think and talk!
- 1 John 2:6 crystal clear on the life that we <u>SHOULD</u> live! What God expects!
- <u>2</u>. <u>The Warning to the Church!</u> (If you are here at Endurance...then you are saying that you are part of the church and that you represent Jesus and His Word and follow it)
 - Many people CHOOSE to leave the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit!
 - Many people LOVE this world and its pleasures MORE than God!
 - Revelation 3:14-22 You have to pick a side! Jesus or your selfishness?
 - James 1:6-8 / 1:21-25 You have to pick a side! Waver or remain faithful?

3. You will give an account and answer to Jesus for how you have chosen to live and what you have chosen to support!

- Colossians 1:15-20 / 2 Corinthians 5:10
- Don't ignore His only sacrifice and offer! It's a terrible thing if you decide to have one foot with Satan and one with God! Hebrews 10:26-31
- Notice in Hebrews people are LEAVING the Father by rejecting His One and Only Son!
- The crossroads that people are at is either choosing the <u>road to the cross</u> or choosing the <u>road of the world!</u> (The youngest son left his Father for the World!
- Philippians 2:12! How do you do this? | Corinthians 4:6!
- Whatever road that you choose to travel and live on in this life will either be amazing for Eternity with Jesus, <u>OR</u> punishment for Eternity.
- It all comes down to your cheice!
- <u>Jesus</u> wants people in Heaven! <u>Satan</u> wants people in Hell/Lake of Fire! YOU have the casting vote where you go! No excuses. No blaming anyone else. It's on you to go home to the Father!
- How do you know the way home? John 14:6 Its very simple...its Jesus!
- The Heavenly Father is waiting on the front porch of Heaven! Arms wide open!

The Prodigal son came to his senses and went home to his Father!

- **You have the same choice today with your Heavenly Father!
- **All in or stay in the world!
- **This Parable today is <u>THE reminder</u> that people leave the Father, go get lost and the HOPE is that a person decides to come home!

We are celebrating people being water baptized today because they have chosen to leave their sins, repent of their sins and follow Jesus now with no turning back!

- **Jesus takes this decision very seriously...life or death forever!
- **This is WHY He willingly gave His life on the cross for You!