

# God's Love for Everyone

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The Parable of the Prodigal Son reminds us that God loves and cares for people who have lost their way in life. In the parable are two lost brothers. The younger brother was far away from his father in behavior. The older brother was far away from his father in spirit and attitude. One needed a change of life; the other a change in spirit and attitude.

But the father loved them both and wanted them to come home to fellowship and family. The younger brother's life became miserable. He came to himself and he remembered the life of peace and joy that he had once enjoyed with father and family. Upon his return home, his father, in love, received him with open arms. The father also, in love, entreated the older brother to a change of spirit and attitude.

The parable tells of God's joy and loving response to penitent sinners. Need a change of life or of spirit and attitude? The Risen Christ reaches out to you in love and grace. Why not return to Him today? He looks forward to your return to Him and to fellowship and family.

***Prayer:** Heavenly Father; Thank you so much for your love that reaches out to receive us when we come to you for a change of life or a change in spirit and attitude. In Jesus' name. Amen*