

OVERCOMING THE STRUGGLES OF LIFE

LUKE 15:11-32

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- Let's examine the struggles in our story.
- The younger son struggled with.....
 - WISDOM
 - IMMATURITY
 - AUTHORITY
 - WORLDLINESS
 - MORE THAN LIKELY SUBSTANCE ABUSE
 - SEXUAL IMMORALITY
 - LONELINESS
 - PHYSICAL NEEDS (HUNGER, HOMELESSNESS)

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- Let's examine the struggles in our story.
- The older son struggled with.....
 - BITTERNESS/ RESENTMENT
 - ANGER
 - JEALOUSY/ ENVY
 - FORGIVING

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- Two circumstances/ two approaches to correction.
 - Younger son
 - The father had to let the son go.
 - The son had to hit rock bottom.
 - The son had to admit that he had a problem.
 - The son had to make the decision to seek help himself and seek help from the right source.
 - The father forgave the son and rejoiced in his recovery.

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- Two circumstances/ two approaches to correction.
 - Older son
 - The father went out after him.
 - The father reasoned with him.
 - This approach was different because this son had always been obedient but needed his father's guidance.
 - The likelihood is that he responded favorably. The father does not revoke his status but reassures it.