

“Fully Committed”

HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

SERMON NOTES

Luke 15:11-24

I. The Challenge of Repentance, (2 Chronicles 33)

A. The Sinful Choices of King Manasseh, (vs. 1-9)

1. The main difference between a “good king” and a “bad king” is seen by who rules *them*, (vs. 2-8)
 - a. Manasseh is ruled by the Canaanite practices of Joshua’s day, (v. 2)

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- b. The “Prodigal” (like Manasseh) only wanted to do what he wanted with no concern for what’s right!

Luke 15:12

B. The Discipline of the Lord, (vs. 10-13)

1. The purpose of “discipline” is to restore someone to a sound way of thinking! (2 ways God disciplines)...
 - a. (v. 10), “*And the Lord spoke to Manasseh and to his people, but they paid no attention.*”

2 Kings 21:10-12

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- b. (v. 11), “*Therefore the Lord brought the commanders of the army of the king of Assyria against them...*”

Hebrews 12:11, 29

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- c. God’s discipline has the desired effect, (vs. 12-13a)

Luke 15:13-14

d. “Repentance” = A change in how we think.

Luke 15:17

C. Manasseh’s Physical and Spiritual Reforms, (vs. 14-20)

1. Because of the change in how they think, the repentant will also change how they live!

a. The physical reforms include, (v. 14)

b. Spiritual reforms included, (vs. 15-16)

c. True repentance seeks a change of life, (v. 17)

d. Manasseh remained faithful all the rest of the days of his life, (v. 20)

D. The Prodigal’s “Prodigal,” (vs. 21-25)

1. Amon was an evil king, (vs. 21-22)

Ezekiel 18:12

CONCLUSIONS:

“Prodigal” = “_____.” There are several types:

Meadows: For a Prodigal to Return... (5 things must occur):

Guests: