## The Confession of the Offender – The Prodigal Son – Luke 15:11-24

| I. The "                          | " of Flesh                          | ly living:   |
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| A                                 | living                              |  |
| NASB 2020 Top<br>"Flesh" characte |                                     | ransitoriness of creaturely existence (Isa 40:6,8) as        |
| opposed to the                    | ne power and life of spiri          | it (Isa. 31:3). Because of the                               |
| of the flesh,                     | it easily comes under tl            | he power of sin when not in                                  |
| with the spir                     | ritual power of God. Th             | his leads to the ethical use of the term flesh, which        |
| signifies hun                     | nans living apart from Go           | od and thus under sin's domination. (Ro. 8:5-8)              |
| В                                 | country                             |  |
| C                                 | spending                            |  |
| D                                 |                                     |  |
| Е                                 | pigs                                |  |
| II. The                           | of the                              | Offender   |
| A. He realized w                  | hat he                              | – v. 16  |
|                                   | was wrong _<br>ed the loss – v. 17  | and wrong  |
|                                   | choice a<br>go, and say) – v. 18-19 | and the right actions  |
|                                   | it for "time" to bring hea          | to meet and confess – he did not turn back, he aling – v. 20 |
| E. He acknowled                   | lged                                | sin before God and man – v. 21                               |
| F. He sought for                  | giveness – even at his ow           | vn – v. 19, 21   |
| G. He prepared                    |                                     | for that   |
| - (not co                         | nfrontation, negotiation)           |  |

| 1           | — what is the heart attitude? Prideful, humbled, half-hearted, both share blame, "evil for evil."  |
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| 2           | – are there any others that I have offended in this process  |
| 3           | – name the sin, see how it appears before God  |
| 4. <u> </u> | – pick the right time  |
| 5           | – pick the right place, not a restaurant or with other people around who can see or interfere.   |
| 6           | - why am I confessing and seeking forgiveness? Just to get back what I lost? Because of what the other did? To clear my conscience before others? To get right with God? |
| III. The    | Brother – Luke 15:25-32 – The Confession of the  |