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THE FATHER SEEKS
LOST SONS







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1. The Father seeks to save the son lost to self-indulgence.
2. The Father seeks to save the son lost to self-righteousness.



The Father seeks to save the son
lost to self-indulgence.

The Father is not insulted by his son's demand.



The Father seeks to save the son
lost to self-indulgence.

Insults test your humility.

*Crises do not develop character, they only
reveal it.*



The Father seeks to save the son
lost to self-indulgence

The Father lets the son go his own way and
experience the consequences of his choices.



The Father seeks to save the son
lost to self-indulgence

Often, discipline is necessary for spiritual
development.



The Father seeks to save the son
lost to self-indulgence

The Father receives the son back with joy.



Wess Morgan

Christian Music Recording Artist



The father seeks to save the son lost
to self indulgence.

The father forgives the son by absorbing the debt
of the sin himself.

Forgiveness is always a form of costly suffering.

- Tim Keller



The Father seeks to save the son
lost to self-righteousness



Luke 15:28-30

“The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’



The Father seeks to save the son
lost to self-righteousness

You know it's possible to be in church your whole
life, serving and doing the church stuff and be out
of fellowship with God.



The Father seeks to save the son lost to self-righteousness

- The father goes out to explain that the son has everything

Luke 15:31

“‘My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours.’”



The Father seeks to save the son lost to self-righteousness

Counteracting self righteousness by enjoying God's presence through:

- Worship
- Prayer
- Active obedience



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The father goes out to explain to the son how the family functions.

In God's family, money and power cease to control us and are used in life-giving and community-building rather than selfish ways. Money is something to be given away and power is to be used strictly for service.

- Tim Keller



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If you want to be a faithful steward of Christ's, you
need to radically change the way you think about
money.



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2 Corinthians 8:9

*For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
that though he was rich, yet for your sake he
became poor, so that you through his poverty
might become rich.*



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Who are the people you think don't deserve God's
grace or your grace either?



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Counteracting self righteousness:

- Remember your frailties
- Count your spiritual blessings
- Befriend non-Christians
- Celebrate the small spiritual wins



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lost to self-righteousness

The Father invites his son to the celebration.



Luke 15:32

“But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.”



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The Father is willing to let the self-righteous son go
his own way.



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A True Older Brother

