
The Lost Son ~ Greed and Need

The son is greedy, demanding money and not thinking about others. There are many places in this world where people are sad, hungry, hurt or homeless, and sometimes it is because other people have been greedy.

Think about somewhere in the world that needs help.

While you think about that place, put a candle on it to think about those people in that place. You might like to ask God to help those people.

The Lost Son ~ Being Sorry

The son is sorry for going his own way and decides to go back to his Father. We too need to turn away from the things we do wrong, such as being greedy and selfish with our toys and games or saying unkind things.

Christians believe that our Father God will forgive us when we are sorry.

Pick up a handful of smelly animal food and think about something you are sorry about.

Put it back into the bowl, and then, as you wash your hands, you can feel better that you have a new start and, if you'd like to, say a thank you prayer that God forgives us.

The Lost Son ~ Forgiveness

The Father has been looking out for his son, and he welcomes him back and forgives him.

Christians believe that God forgives us when we get things wrong. How does it feel to be forgiven?

Think about someone you need to forgive. Or you could think about someone who is kind and forgiving to you.

Make a playdough model of the person you thought of. And if you'd like to you can thank God for that person or that God forgives us.

The Lost Son ~ Being generous

The father generously gave a party for his son to welcome him home and shared his best robe and ring. How can we be generous to those around us and share the good things that we have?

Think of something that you have that you could share with your friends and family (it does not have to be something physical; it could be spending time or being kind). Or think of something that you could do to be generous to someone.

Use the glitter pens to draw or write the things you could share onto the bunting, or you could decorate it too. Add it to the string with everyone else's.