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## “Change”- Part 4



### HOW TO CHANGE WHEN I DON'T FEEL LIKE IT

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**Luk 15:11-24** And He said, "A man had two sons. **12** “The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the estate that falls to me.' So, he divided his wealth between them. **13** “And not many days later, the younger son gathered everything together and went on a journey into a distant country, and there he squandered his estate with loose living. **14** “Now when he had spent everything, a severe famine occurred in that country, and he began to be impoverished. **15** “So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. **16** “And he would have gladly filled his stomach with the pods that the swine were eating, and no one was giving anything to him. **17** “But when he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have more than enough bread, but I am dying here with hunger! **18** ‘I will get up and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight; **19** I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me as one of your hired men.'" **20** “So he got up and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion for him, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. **21** “And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' **22** “But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet; **23** and bring the fattened calf, kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; **24** for this son of mine was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.' And they began to celebrate. \_\_\_\_\_

**FED UP** - Jer 29:13 ‘You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Isa 59:2** But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden His face from you so that He does not hear. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Luk 15:10** “In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

**Psa 40:3** He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; Many will see and fear And will trust in the LORD.

**Psa 96:1** Sing to the LORD a new song; Sing to the LORD, all the earth.

### Next Steps ...

- ◇ I am fed up and want Gods power to change.
- ◇ I want to confess my sin and come close to God.
- ◇ I want to stop sitting and start serving.
- ◇ I want to join a small group.

