

"CAN A CHILD OF GOD BECOME A PRODIGAL?" (The Parable of the Prodigal Son – Luke 15:11-24)

Question: "Can a person be saved and live in sin?"

I. GOD {ALLOWS} HIS CHILDREN TO SIN.

*Luke 15:11 *James 4:7-8 *Luke 15:13 *Galatians 6:7-8

Examples: Adam & Eve; Abraham; David; Jonah; Peter...

II. GOD {ALWAYS} CHASTENS HIS CHILDREN WHO SIN.

*Luke 15:14 *Luke 15:15-16 *Hebrews 12:6 *Hebrews 12:8

*II Samuel 7:14-15a *Psalm 119:71

Note: Sins of omission always lead to sins of commission.

III. GOD {LOVES} HIS CHILDREN EVEN WHEN THEY SIN.

*Luke 15:17-20 *Malachi 3:6-7 *Romans 8:35 *Romans 8:37-39

<u>Note</u>: The Father was looking for his son!

IV. GOD {FORGIVES} HIS CHILDREN WHEN THEY REPENT.

*Luke 15:21 *I John 1:9 *Luke 15:22 *Luke 15:24

*Ephesians 1:13-14 *I John 2:19

Note: The ring and the shoes are symbolic of a son and not a servant!