



*Kia inu kau ahau,
If I could just drink
Faith Formation Team*

Gospel for kidz

A Religious Education Resource for Parishes



**Today we are going to be talking about
Jesus talked about his mission.
Let's, listen and hear the story Jesus tells his followers.**

A reading from the gospel according to Luke.....adapted for children

One day Jesus told this story:

**There was a man who had two sons.
One day the younger one came to his father and said,**

**“Father give me everything that will one day
belong to me, so I can enjoy my riches now.”**

**The father did this and the young man set off to look for
adventure.**

**He travelled to a distant land and spent all the money
enjoying himself. But there was a famine in that land,
and soon the young man found himself penniless
and hungry.**

“If I stay here I will surely starve” he thought.

**So he decided to return to his father and ask for forgiveness.
The father saw his son coming and ran to welcome him.
As he hugged him the young man said,**

**“Father, I am so sorry. I no longer deserve
to be called your son.”**

**But his father told his servants to prepare a feast and to bring
fine clothes, and they began to celebrate.**

Let's sit quietly now and think of God's story.

Unpacking the Gospel

Invite the children to retell the story in their own words

- do you think the younger son behaved well?
- why did he return home ?
- what did he say to his father ?
- what did the father do ?
- what could he have done ?

if one of our friends, a brother or sister has hurt us,
are we kind and forgiving as the father in the story ?

- who is the father / son in this story ?
- what does this tell us ?

Jesus told this story because he wanted us to understand that
whatever we do wrong,
we can always come back to God. If we ask for forgiveness, we know
that we will still
be welcomed with open arms.

- do you think God feels sad when we turn away?

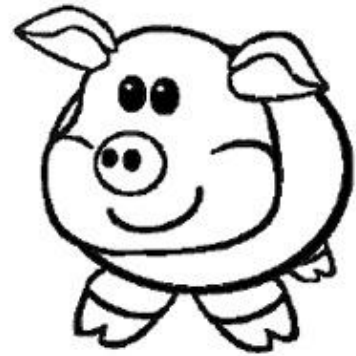
Message....

When we turn away from God—God does feel sad but he is always waiting patiently for our return.



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The Parable of the Lost Son



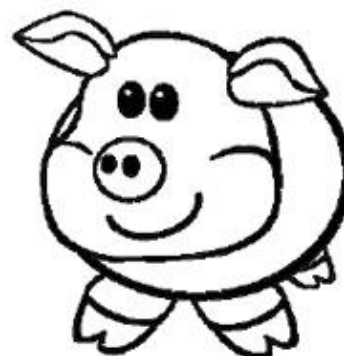
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The puzzle is based on Luke 15:11-32 (NIV).

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WEALTH	ESTATE	COUNTRY	PIGS	FOOD
COMPASSION	HIRED	FOUND	FEED	RING
CELEBRATE	STARVING	PROPERTY	FEAST	SONS
KISSED	FATHER	STOMACH	SPENT	LOST

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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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1. 18-4-10-18 _____
2. 20-4-12-10-8 _____
3. 16-1-26-18 _____
4. 18-14-11-23-21-1-10-26 _____
5. 5-15-11-9-14-3 _____
6. 20-11-14-3-15-23 _____
7. 19-1-18-18-15-8 _____
8. 9-4-18-14 _____

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The Prodigal Son