

## Two Parables

Then he told them many things in parables.

Matthew 13:3

**Choose the correct word from the brackets to fill each space.**

Parables can be described as ..... designed to teach a .....  
 Jesus wanted his ..... to learn.                    **(disciples: lesson: stories)**

Number these statements in the correct order from 1-10, to tell the parable of the prodigal son from Luke 15:11-32.

1	A man had two sons.
	The younger son set off into another country, but wasted his money on reckless living.
	The father divided his property between his two sons.
	The younger son asked his father for his share of the estate, so that he could live his own life away from home.
5	He was soon desperate for more money to buy food to eat and some place to live.
	He felt so desperate that he decided to go back home to his father, confess what he had done and ask for a proper job as a servant of his father.
	So he took a job looking after some pigs and was so hungry he felt like eating the pigs' food.
	Instead of being angry, his father was overjoyed to see him and prepared a welcome home feast.
9	However, his older brother was angry because he did not think it was fair.
	He felt that his brother was being rewarded for being wasteful, while he gained no reward for being a faithful and obedient son.

**From this lesson, what do these gifts given to the son represent?**

- the beautiful robe. ....
- the expensive ring. ....
- the shoes. ....
- the fattened calf. ....

**Circle the sentence that shows a lesson we could learn from this parable:**

- it is all right to have a good time.
- disobedience to your parents will be rewarded.
- the father (our heavenly Father) rejoices when we repent our wrong doing and return to our spiritual family.

**In the parable of the rich man and Lazarus:**

- Which nation is represented by the rich man? .....
- Who is represented by Lazarus, the poor beggar? .....
- The elegant foods eaten by the rich man represented.....