

all prodigals don't leave home - spoiled ending of story - he had heart, dove, peating son - lost to home, the man left it -

Stay at Home Prodigals = failed TO understand Father's joy - impossible to comprehend out of harmony w/ father - 'critical spirit' always at home, never at home <sup>knowing flesh, not spirit</sup>  
not all prodigals leave home  
**WET Blanket Xians** I want to share this joy - let us be merry

Cause, Criticism

Characteristics of Stay at Home Prodigal

- 1- Critical = What would he have said if he had known all father saw him  
 ② Harlots - didn't know that, unfair judgment
- 2- Ungrateful - never saw me a kid
- 3- Self-righteous = "So, I'm served thee." scant room for improvement in man assured of own virtue
- 4- Loveless → My son - My brother  
Something eventually happens to reveal us as we really are Intro

Stubbornness

5- Robbed of fellowship = "He would not go in" suspicious of any thing joyful

What effect this must've had on young brother - many a man has been driven back to parsonage because of loveless & elder brother

Care: Father's Presence - Provision - never tapped those resources  
His father's presence meant little to him

7- misplaced values = Lost Souls