**Coming Home: The Younger Brother – *Shayne Brown***

# “Our culture has bred consumers and addicts. We eat too much, buy too much, and want too much. We set ourselves on the fruitless mission of filling the gaping hole within us with material things. Blindly, we consume more and more, believing we are hungry for more food, status, or money, yet really we are hungry for connection.” Vironika Tugaleva

**The Reason for the Season: A Rescue Mission**

Matthew 1:18-23, Luke 19:10, Matthew 28

**Luke 15:1 The Backdrop**

**Luke 15:11: Two Lost Sons**

**The Rejection**

Luke 15:12

**The Quest for Happiness**

Luke 15:13, Titus 3:3-7, 1 John 2:16, Matthew 6:19-24,

*“Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living.”* Luke 15:13

**Take Away:**

1. **Coming home this Christmas.**

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1. Take time to review Sunday’s teaching. What was one idea or thought that really grabbed your attention? What was something you disagreed with or that challenged you the most?
2. Read Galatians 5:13-26.
3. Take turns reading until you get to the end of the section. Try to have as many different translations as possible.
4. What word, verse or concept stands out to you as you read through these passages? Why does it stand out to you?
5. What differences did you notice between the translations?
6. Is there anything in this passage you have a hard time with or have questions about?
7. Where do you see the younger brother from the prodigal son in this passage? How about the older brother?
8. Why do you think the acts of the flesh are so enticing? What are some ways that we can gain freedom from them?
9. Where do you need the Holy Spirit to work in your life the most right now? What action can you take this week to put this learning into action?
10. Spend some time sharing about your weeks and praying for one another as we live out our faith in our day to day lives.