



How to Talk with God, Message #1

Luke 15 and Psalm 27

Grab the money and run!

Luke 15: A primer on the life of request without relationship.

“Dad, drop dead. I’d rather have your cash!”

Question: Where are you on the spectrum of request and relationship?

Psalm 27: A primer on the life of relationship and request:

- **Verse 4:** The main thing in relationship is the presence of God.
- **Verse 6:** ...then adoration of God.
- **Verse 8:** ...then seeking God.
- **Verses 9, 10:** ...then taking refuge in God.
- **Verse 11:** ...then take a learning stance toward God.
- **Verse 13:** ...then a settled trust in the goodness of God.
- **Verse 14:** ...then waiting patiently for God.
- **Then the request, verse 12:** ...don’t let my accusers overcome me.

In talking with God: Vital relationship is above and before requests.

Walking Papers

“Practical helps for walking the Christian walk this week.”

In talking with God: Vital relationship is above and before requests.

Every day please read Psalm 27 and record your thoughts on this page:

- **Today.** In Luke 15 how would you describe the relationship of the son toward the father throughout the parable? What are the lessons for you?
- **Monday.** What is the essence of pursuing the presence of God? See Psalm 27:8.
- **Tuesday.** What is the essence of taking refuge in God? Psalm 27:9, 10.
- **Wednesday.** What is the essence of a learning stance toward God? Psalm 27:11.
- **Thursday.** How do you gain settled trust in the goodness of God? Psalm 27:13.
- **Friday.** What is the key to waiting patiently in God? Psalm 27:14.
- **Saturday.** What are the requests that David has for God in Psalm 14?

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