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4. His father gave him a big hug and threw a party. The older son didn't understand why his brother got a party, but he didn't. His father said he loved them both, and he had to welcome his



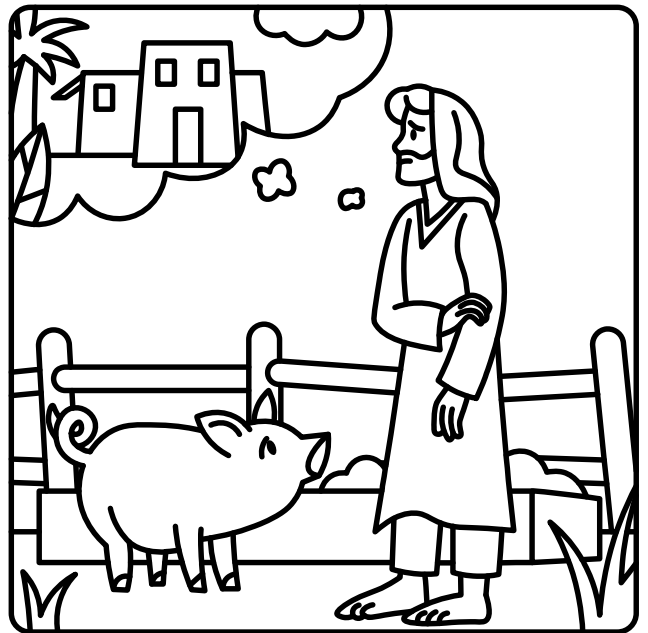
1. Jesus was teaching, and lots of people were listening. The people listening were considered sinners and weren't well-liked by their community. That didn't matter to Jesus.



Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32



2. Jesus told them a story to help them understand: Once, a man had two sons. His younger son asked his father for the son's share of the property. His father gave it to him, and the younger son left home with his fortune.



3. The younger son spent all his money and property. He had nothing left and had to find work in the fields. He was so hungry he was willing to eat the food that was fed to the pigs. He realized he needed to go back home.