

THE LOG LIST PART 3:

Bringing it Home

Luke 15:18 – “I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,”

In Part 2 of the Log List, you identified some areas where you have struggled in your marriage. We have all sinned and fallen short. As we have studied, the remedy for sin is repentance and forgiveness. Hopefully, you have talked to God about these things. Now you need to “bring it home”. You should also repent toward your spouse. The prodigal son realized that his sin was not just against heaven (God) but also against his earthly father. He needed to go to him, confess the sin, and seek forgiveness.

Before the prodigal son went to his father, he thought about what he would say (Luke 15:17-24). Even though his father embraced him as he came home, he still went through with the process of repenting. Take a few moments and jot down some notes to yourself. What do you need to express? What has God been convicting you about? Will you share your need for their prayers and support? Will you come clean and be completely honest, letting down your guard and truly confess your sin without shifting the blame onto someone or something else?

WHAT WILL YOU SAY?

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Now Go!

Go humbly. Go prayerfully. Go sincerely. Go without expecting or requiring a specific response. Go because God wants you to go and do what is right. If you do this to honor Him and to seek to repair the damage you have done, you are going for the right reasons. Now go!

TAKE A FEW MOMENTS TO REFLECT...

How did it go? How did your spouse respond to you? Would you say something differently if you were to do this again? What did you learn from this? Are you willing to incorporate this behavior into your life? Trust me, you will sin again. If we clean the slate off, it is much easier to clean when a little smudge appears. Don't let Satan steal this blessing from you. Take a moment and jot down your "lessons learned".