

UNDESERVED: GOD'S AMAZING GRACE

Luke 15:11-32

INTRODUCTION:

- A. I enjoy golf because it is the only sport I have ever played that allows a mulligan.
- B. You do not have to play golf to enjoy the benefits of a mulligan. The truth is we've all messed up and needed to start over.
- C. No one has gone so far away from God that they can't find their way back to God.

THE YOUNG MAN WHO NEEDED A MULLIGAN (LK. 15:11-16)

- A. He went to his father and made a selfish request for his inheritance (Deut. 21:17).
- B. He left his father's house and lived a life of rebellion (Lk. 15:30).
- C. He experienced the difficulties of hitting rock bottom (Heb. 11:25; Lev. 11:7).

THE ONE QUESTION HE HAD TO ANSWER (VS. 17-20a) – "What Am I Going To Do?"

- A. He thought about his life – "When he came to his senses..."
- B. He put away his pride – "I will arise and go to my father and say, I have sinned..."
- C. He arose and went back home – "And he arose and came to his father..."

THE HEART OF A LOVING FATHER (vs. 20-32)

- A. The father will never stop loving you (Jn. 3:16; Rom. 5:8).
- B. The father anxiously awaits your return (2 Pet. 3:9).
- C. The father doesn't give you what you deserve (Tit. 2:11; I Cor. 15:10).
- D. The father celebrates when you return home (Lk. 15:10).

CONCLUSION:

- A. Some of you may find yourself away from your heavenly Father and in need of a return.
- B. No one has gone so far away from God that they can't find their way back to God.
- C. Today you have an opportunity to take a mulligan and start over in your walk with God.