

**Father Lessons**  
**Matthew 21:28-32**

**Different 'Father Stories'**

Similar to our "Other Mothers" lesson last month  
Learn from them

**Parable Of 2 Sons**

*Matthew 21:28-32*

Obedience comes not in words, but in action  
Only one of these sons obeyed his father

**Prodigal**

*Luke 15:11-32*

Often turn here for lesson on repentance

Also find here lesson on obedient service

Suggest we consider these two sons in light of our last parable - No, but later yes; Yes, but later no

Neither son submitted totally to the wishes of his father

One rebelled until almost destroyed, then remembered love/compassion of father and returned

Other remained, faithfully going through the motions with expectations of reward until bitterness led him away from the love/compassion exemplified by father

**Rechabites - Jonadab**

*Jeremiah 35:1-19*

This is an example of obedience as God expects.

Used to warn Israel and remind them why they were suffering.

**Receive And Listen**

Hearing (reading) God's Word is not sufficient

We must take action based upon what we have heard

*Revelation 3:13; Matthew 13:9; 7:24*

Am I obedient to my Father?

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