Theme: THE PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS

**Memory Verse**: John 3:34 "For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him."

Texts: Mathew 21:28-32; Luke15:11-32

To understand the point of this parable found only in Mathew, it is necessary to note the connection in which it stands. Our Lord was dealing with men who purposed to trap Him in speech, men who are determined to find fault with Him by all means. Prior to this time, He had turned the tables on them, by putting to a question which they dared not answer; and now, in this parable of the two sons, he presented to them a picture of themselves, which they could not fail to recognize

By this parable, the Lord sought to prove that the chief priests, the elders and their followers were comparable with the second son who made great profession of obedience, but betrayed same by his action. The attitude of the two sons in the parable outlines the very essence of ministry missed by the Pharisees and other listeners of Jesus day. Many Christians today have equally missed the mark of ministerial essence.

The Lord therefore introduced the parable to correct the wrong notion, and the misguided judgment of many who are like the second son. To this end, He opened the parable with a question: "But what think ye?" (Verse 28) and again ended with question: "whether of them twain did the will of his father?" (Verse 31). What do we see in this parable of the sons and how do we related it to our modern day Christians? The question now is where do you fixed yourself?, the first son or the second son?

DAILY BIBLE READING		
	MORNING	EVENING.
MON.	Deut. 17	2Tim. 4
TUS.	<b>Deut.</b> 18	Titus 1
WED.	<b>Deut.</b> 19	Titus 2
THUR.	<b>Deut. 20</b>	Titus 3
FRI.	<b>Deut. 21</b>	Phil. 1
SAT.	<b>Deut 22</b>	Heb 1
SUN.	<b>Deut. 23</b>	Heb. 2