

Joshua 5: 2 - 12

A really new start

Luke 15. The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him.

But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends.

But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!'"

- What have you been getting angry about?
- Where have you refused to go in ?
- What resentments are you carrying?
- Are just annoyed at how life has turned out?

*Luke 10. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.
40 But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"
41 "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things,
42 but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."*

What are you distracted by?
What are you worried about?
What is upsetting you?

2 Samuel 6: As the ark of the LORD was entering the City of David, Michal daughter of Saul watched from a window. And when she saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD, she despised him in her heart ...

*Michal daughter of Saul came out to meet David and said, "How the king of Israel has distinguished himself today, going around half-naked in full view of the slave girls of his servants as any vulgar fellow would!"...
And Michal daughter of Saul had no children to the day of her death.*

Who have you been despising in your heart?

What criticisms have been arising in you?

What nasty imagined conversations have you been having?