

# “An AHA Experience: Brutal Honesty”

## *Quick Review for our Visitors:*

The word ‘Aha’ is defined as – a sudden understanding, recognition, or resolution.

For our study the word AHA is an acronym for

Sudden **Awakening**

Brutal **Honesty**

Immediate **Action**

Reasons for Leaving the Father’s House:

“I want it **now**” – an attitude of instant gratification

“I **deserve** it” – an attitude of entitlement

“I can **do better** on my own” – an attitude of bitterness

Leaving the Father’s House takes us to a Distant Country:

“The Distant Country Will Leave You **Broke**”

“The Distant Country Will Leave You **Alone**”

When you come to your senses:

“You realize where you **were**”

“You realize where you **are**”

“You realize where you **could be**”

## **Luke 15:17-19 NIV**

17 "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.'

## **Brutal Honesty about circumstances**

Verse 17 *"When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have food to spare, and here I am starving to death!'"*

**Brutal Honesty about what brought you here**

Verse 18 *“I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.”*

**Brutal Honesty about the consequences**

“Verse 19 *“I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.”*