

# The Porch

(Luke 15:16-31)

# Introduction

- Prominent place in our lives and memories.
- Place of safety.
- Place of provision.

**There is safety on the  
porch.**

# **The Father could have protected...**

- Fake friends
- Famine
- Failure

# **To stay on the porch must obey.**

- Noah had to build the ark
- Abraham had to leave the familiar.
- Moses had to stretch out his hands.
- Esther had to go before the King.
- The blind man had to go to the pool.

# You've stepped off the porch...

- When obedience is cast off for preference.
- When you are willing to attach yourself to someone who will lower your standards.
- You are not only willing but long for what you did not want.
- Esther had to go before the King.
- The blind man had to go to the pool.

# Conclusion

- *Come back to the porch*