

Reconciliation and The Prodigal Son

Reconciliation:

The Prodigal Son:

A Journey Home

We are welcomed back

The Father welcomes the Son

Our journey begins with selfishness (sin)

Young man leads a selfish lifestyle

Our sin takes us from the shelter of God

His sin takes him from his home

Conversion: An ongoing process

We come to our senses and
realize a need for conversion

The son comes to his senses and
decides to return home to his father

We repent of our old ways

The son offers contrition to the father
by saying to treat him as a hired hand

Confession: Externalizing what is within

We confess our sins to the priest

the son admits his sinfulness

We offer our contrition: an act of
interior conviction to conversion

The son doesn't even get to his
words before the father is already
forgiving him

We agree to do Penance as an opportunity
For growth, not punishment

The son is willing to do
anything to return to his father

Celebration

We celebrate our relationship with God

The Son's return is celebrated by the Father