

The Prodigal



God Spoke

Narrator:

God spoke
And the world was made at His command
He breathed His life into man
And the love story began
He gave to us a world of harmony
Filled it up with His love to share
And He walked with us
To show us how much He cared

And although
He knew that it was best
That we should live our lives in His rest
Perfect love must stand the test
And so He left to us the choosing
Laid His love out on the line
For us to receive
Or turn to follow our own design

Adam:

Walking along one day
Taking in all the endless beauty
Thought I heard someone say
That it could all belong to me
Then the thunder came
Within my heart
In a selfish game
I felt it start to turn

Narrator:

Now we
Were running for a place to hide
We were choking on our own pride
We had pushed His love aside
And God came looking for His children
Just to hold them by the hand
But we had run away
We didn't understand

Let Me Go

The Prodigal:

Father, I must go
Can't You see that it's the only way
I'll ever know
How to live my life in my own way
I don't need You or what You have to say
Anymore
You don't know what I am deep inside
I must find myself alone
So give to me the wealth that is mine
And I'll show you how much joy I can find
Out there
Where they understand my life

Let me go, let me go
Let me go, let me go

The Father:

My son, it hurts Me so
But if you feel your heart is telling you
That you must go
How can I stand in your way
I only wish that there were words to say
That would tell you
That I love you more than you'll ever know
And only love can make you free
But you don't hear the words that I'm saying
And you don't know the price you'll be paying
Out there
'Cause they're all running too

I love you so, I love you so
I love you so, I love you so

The Prodigal:

Let me go

The Father:

I love you so

The Prodigal:

Let me go

The Father:

I love you so

The Prodigal:

Let me go!

Now You're Free

Narrator:

Now you're free at last
What will you find
Will your searching bring you
Peace of mind
O, you're hungering
But you don't know what for
Can't you see, child
You're knocking
on the wrong door

Prodigal Children

Narrator:

Doesn't it sound familiar
Haven't we heard it before
The same words were ringing in our hearts
When we closed up the door
Saying, "Go away!
I don't need Your love."
Now we're wondering
What were we thinking of?

'Cause we all know the pathway
The prodigal son must trod
Illusion studded and full of sorrow
Leading away from God
And now in our hearts
We know what is right
And we're longing
To be walking in the light

Prodigal children
Prodigal children
Prodigal children
We are prodigal children

Lost Inside

Narrator:

Now you've run away
There's nowhere you can run anymore
Now you've run away
There's nowhere you can run anymore

The Prodigal:

Why, O, why
Am I so lost inside
It seems that everything's falling apart
Although I try and try
I know that I can't hide
The emptiness I feel in my heart

It seemed so right to me
And all my friends agreed
That I was really on the right track
But now these friends have gone
And yet my search goes on
There's something deep inside that I lack

Narrator:

Now you've run away
There's nowhere you can run anymore

The Prodigal:

I wanted so to be
Complete Inside of me
And yet my life is hungering still
There's an empty space in my heart
'Cause I forgot the part
That only my Father's love can fill

And So You've Stumbled To The Ground

Narrator:

And so you've stumbled to the ground
The pieces scattered all around
Your life is crumbling as ashes do
When the flame is ended and the fire is through
It burns so brightly, it makes the night seem like day
'Till your life is gone, and then it just fades away
Leaving you alone with black and smoldering scars
Of hopes now left dying
Look at the tear drops fall
Can't you see that your heart is crying
You know you're needing His love
To give you new life

And deep inside you feel the war
Two voices calling at your door
One shouting loudly demands control
The other gently speaks to your soul
And you remember, you felt it all before
When you turned away and walked out of the door
And it hurts you so to see His face in your mind
And know how He loves you
Why must it always take
So long for love to break through
The wall of pride in our hearts
That keeps us bound and chained

And now you know you must decide
You know there's nowhere you can hide
The one who spoke the lies denies your choice
But listen closely, the still small Voice
You feel the heartache, and yes, you feel the pain
Of searching for the sun and only finding rain
Won't you turn around and leave it all behind
Letting your heart lead you
For though your mind is clouded
Still your heart can see through
To find its way to the love
That draws you back home

On The Road To Home

The Prodigal:

Opening up my eyes
Looking out on a brand new day
Crystal clear blue skies
And sunshine leading me on my way
Going home again
Making melody in my mind
I'm so tired of Where I've been
I am leaving it all behind
Stretching out ahead
Many barriers I have made
But I'm thinking of love instead
And the walls begin to fade

'Cause I'm going
To the place where I belong
To my Father's house
Where I'm loved even when I do wrong
It's been so hard
But I've pushed my pride away
I am on the road to home
Today

The day begins to wear
And so many miles have passed
I know I'm almost there
And my heart is beating fast
Tears begin to fall
From the joy welling up inside
I hear my Father call
And I remember the tears He cried
When I said good-bye
And turned around to go my own way
But now He's running to my side
And I know I'm home to stay

'Cause I'm going
To the place where I belong
To my Father's house
Where I'm loved even when I do wrong
It's been so hard
But I've pushed my pride away
I am on the road to home
Today

Together

The Prodigal:

Father, there aren't any words I can say
I'm just so sorry I went away
But here in Your arms is where I want to stay
Forever

The Father:

My son, you have made Me so very happy
I've been waiting here for the first glimpse I'd see
Of you on the road coming back to Me
And now you're here

The Prodigal and the Father:

Together we shall live forever you and I
Side by side
With hearts open wide
To one another
To each other we'll say
I love you

The Prodigal:

But Father, I can no longer be in Your family
After all I've done I'm not worthy
But deep in my heart I long to be
Near You

The Father:

My son, can't you see that it's My good pleasure
To pour out My love and My treasure
Into your life beyond measure
Please let Me

The Prodigal and the Father:

Together we shall live forever you and I
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The Prodigal

Narrator:

Out in a field of weariness, he sits all alone as he must
Feeling the pain of a young man's shame
His boldness lay in the dust
His proud words of independence
Seem so far away
He thought that he'd forgotten
But he tearfully remembers that day
The strength he felt as he said good-bye
Has passed and faded
Wondering now just why
He never made it

When he was a rich man, his friends were all so true
He was the life of the show wherever he'd go
There wasn't anything he couldn't do
It happened, O, so quickly
The good times went away
The price of a friend is, "What can you give?"
And he could no longer pay
Bitter lessons he has learned
But wisdom cannot heal
So once again to home he turns
Where love was real

We sit untouched by the pain in his heart
But if you'll listen close you can see
The truth in every word I've spoken
A little bit of you and me

Headed home he rises and sets out on his way
Deep in his heart he knows he can't even start
To find the words to say
Up ahead in his Father
Love waits unfulfilled
The love that watched him go away
Is the love that watches still
Glimpsing now the waited sight
"Can it be?"
Silhouetted in the night
"My son's come home to Me!"

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Arm In arm together, no need to explain
The Father's love is so strong it covers all of the wrong
And His touch has healed the pain
Some things can't be spoken
And such are the words that bind
The branch has been replanted
Deep within the Vine

Waiting For The Waters

Narrator:

Waiting for the waters to move you
You've been waiting for somebody to prove you wrong
Listening to our conversation
But you aren't making an investigation
I want to tell you how it is
You can't run away from His love

Your heart is wanting to believe it
But your intellect won't let you receive It, no
And so though really undecided
You turn your back and try to hide it
I want to tell you how it is
You can't run away from His love
His great love

I wish that I could tell you
All you're missing
But even if I could
I don't think you would listen
Even though inside you know you should

Trying to explain it away
But you're running out of words to say, now
Thinking you'll be safe when you make it home
But when you get there and you're all alone
Well, you know how it is
You can't run away from His love

The living water's starting to move you
And your own heart is starting to prove you wrong
And like a mighty river that flows
He's sweeping you away and your smile shows
That you're glad for how it is
You couldn't run away from His love
His great love

