

The Prodigal's Son



1.  He **THOUGHT** about what he had done wrong.



We perform an *Examination of Conscience*.



O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended You. . .

2.  He was **SORRY** for what he had done wrong.



We have sorrow for our sins.



. . . I detest all my sins because of Your just punishments, but most of all because they offend You, my God, Who are all good and deserving of all my love. . .

3.  He **MADE UP HIS MIND TO GO BACK TO HIS FATHER.**



We create a strong purpose of amendment.



. . . I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace, . . .

4.  He **CONFESSED** his sins.



We tell our sins to a priest.



. . . to confess my sins, . . .

5.  He was **READY TO DO ANYTHING HIS FATHER SAID.**



We do the penance the priest gives us.



. . . to do penance, and to amend my life.