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#### 3. Go to them

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### The way of the Father

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2. They operate from a context of forgiveness.
3. They throw parties.
4. They confront older brother thinking.
5. They keep the lights on for as long as it takes.

### The way of the Older Brother

1. They are concerned with themselves.
2. They operate from a context of shame.
3. They throw fits.
4. They criticize loving father thinking.
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