The Lost Son

The Lost Son story provides the basics of a dramatic family conflict. In those simpler times, much of the tale’s tension comes from separation. The father was unsure whether his younger son was still alive.

Imagine the characters in the same setting, but with the ability to text and use social media. What messages might they send one another? What might they share with friends via social networking? Use your imagination to expand the story with the feelings each character might have had along the way.

| What’s Happening? | Younger Son’s Text | Father’s Text | Older Son’s Text |
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| Younger son asks father for his share. |  |  |  |
| Younger son spends money on wild living. |  |  |  |
| Younger son goes broke, lives with pigs. |  |  |  |
| Younger son comes to his senses. |  |  |  |
| Father sees younger son returning home. |  |  |  |
| Son asks forgiveness. |  |  |  |
| Father showers son with gifts, calls party. |  |  |  |
| Older son discovers party, brother’s return. |  |  |  |
| Older son get jealous, complains. |  |  |  |
| Father explains his joy to older son. |  |  |  |