



Luke 15: 11-32

Living in the Father's House

~ A question of an inheritance

Jesus tells a story - a "Parable"



There was a man who had two sons



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WHO was living in the Father's House?

"Son" = a child with right of inheritance

Galatians 4: 1-7

The younger one
said to his father,
“Father, give me my
share of the estate”





**So he divided
his property
between them**



**Not long after that,
the younger got together all
he had,
set off for a distant country ...**

... and there
he squandered his wealth

...





... in wild living



After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in the whole country

... and he began to be in need





So he went and
hired himself out to
a citizen of that
country, who sent
him to his fields to
feed **PIGS**



He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything



When he came to his senses, he said, “How many of my father’s hired men have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father, and say to him:

Father I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.”



**While he was still a long way off,
his father saw him and was filled
with compassion for him**



He ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.



**The son said to him,
“Father, I have
sinned against
heaven and against
you. I am no longer
worthy to be called
your son”**

END

A servant or a son?



But the father said to his servants, “Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet

PARTY !

Why did Jesus not stop there?

Now read on ...



**Meanwhile,
the older son was in the
field. When he came near
the house, he heard
music and dancing.
So he called one of the
servants and asked him
what was going on.**

**“Your brother has come”,
he replied, “and your
father has killed the
fattened calf because he
has him back safe and
sound”.**

The older brother became angry and refused to go in.

So his father went out and pleaded with him.





But he answered his father,

“Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends.

But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him”.



**“My son”, the father said,
“you are always with me,
and everything I have is
yours.**

**But we had to celebrate and
be glad, because this
brother of yours ... was lost
and is found”.**

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- Why was the older son angry?
- Who did the father love the most?
- Who's fatted calf was it?
- A servant or a son?



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- **A servant or a son?**

God is Good ...

All the time

- **“Why didn't you ask?”**