

*The
Elder
Brother*
Luke 15:11-32

Coming From The Fields

- Both received an inheritance – Lk. 15:11-12
- The prodigal was restored – Lk. 15:23-24
- The elder brother inquires – Lk. 15:25-27

How will the elder brother respond?

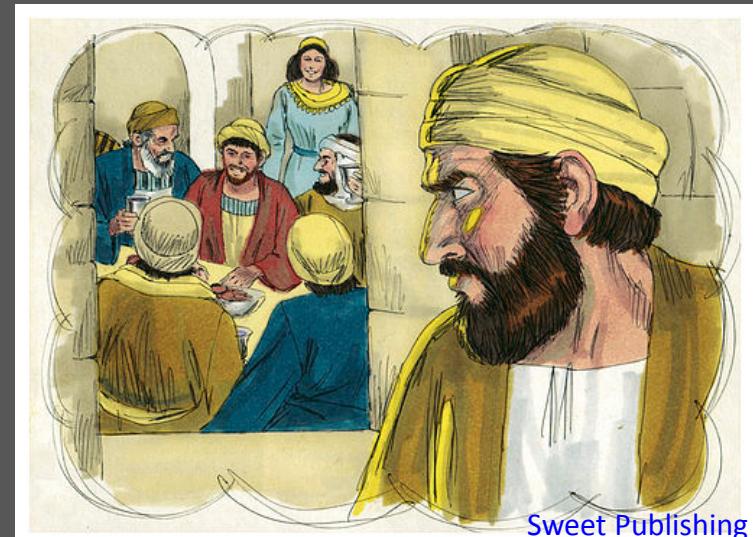


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Wrath

- The elder brother is angry – Lk. 15:28
- Jesus warned against anger – Mt. 5:22
- Anger must be controlled – Eph. 4:26
- Anger is deceitful – Jas. 1:19-20

How do we react
when a “prodigal”
comes home?



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Self-Willed

- He refuses to rejoice – Lk. 15:28
- He rebels against the father
- He puts his will before the father's



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Self-Willed

- Dangerous attitude – 2 Pet. 2:10; Tit. 1:7
- Still the father entreats – Lk. 15:28

Are we yielding to the
Father's will?
Mt. 11:28-30;
Eph. 4:32

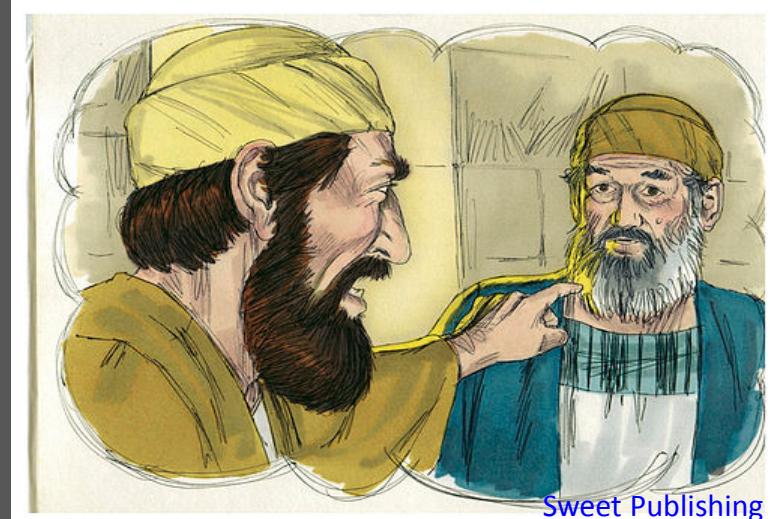


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Self-Righteous

- Self-righteous indignation – Lk. 15:29
- His heart is revealed – Mt. 12:34
- Sinful pride – Lk. 18:9-14; Rom. 10:1-3

Have we touted our
“righteousness”?
1 Jn. 1:8-10; Lk. 17:10



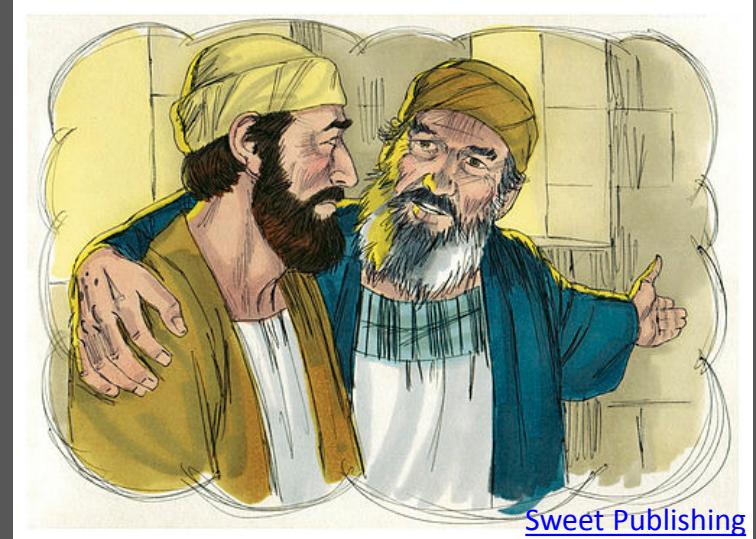
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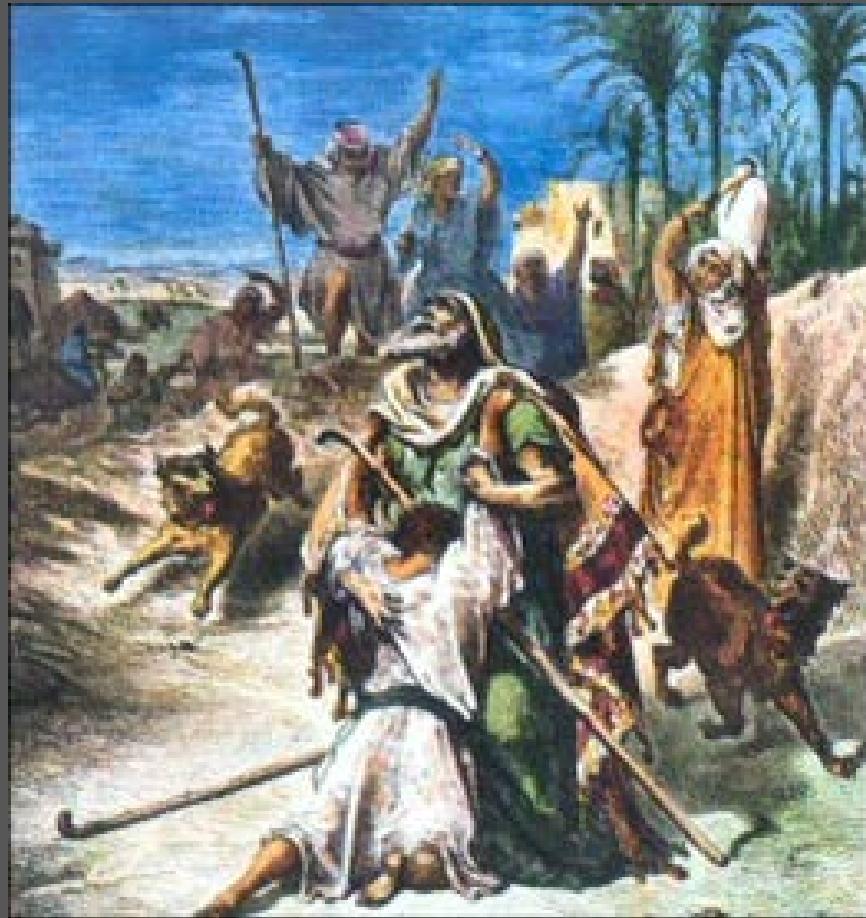
Self-Centered

- Deluded by jealousy – Lk. 15:29-30
- Blinded to reality – Lk. 15:12, 31
- Denies he has a brother – Lk. 15:31-32
- No love – Jn. 5:42

**Do we have the love
of God in our hearts?**

1 Jn. 4:7-11





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God's Effort

God Sent His Son – 1 John 4:10-11

Jesus Shed His Blood – Ephesians 1:7

Spirit Revealed The Gospel – John 16:13

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. (Mark 16:16 KJV)

God's Conditions

Believe Jesus Is The Christ – John 8:24

Repent Of Sins – Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38

Confess Christ – Romans 10:9-10

Immersed To Be Forgiven – Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16

Remain Faithful – Revelation 2:10

