

# Where is Your Brother?

"There was a man who had two sons.

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 son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living.



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22 Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet.

23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate.

24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'



# Where is Your Brother?

The older brother...

## Suspicious of the Celebration

25 "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing.

26 So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on.



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The older brother...

## **Stingy With Grace**

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

28 "The older brother became angry  
and refused to go in. So his father  
went out and pleaded with him.



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## **Preoccupied with Performance**

29 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.

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



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The older brother...

**Unwilling to Love**

31 "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours.'

32 But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'"



# Our True Older Brother



Lu 19:10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost."

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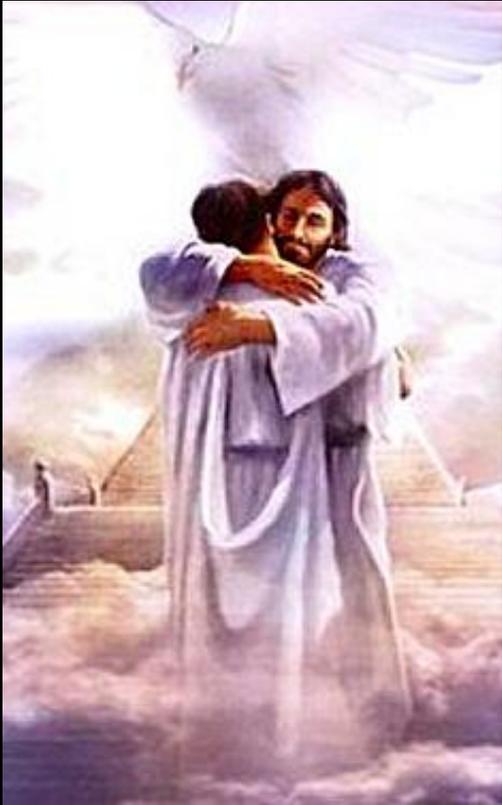


Titus 3:5 He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,

6 whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

7 so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

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Mt 25:21 “Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’