



May 19, 2019 | Part 4: The Angry Older Brother

The three main characters in this story of recovering that which was lost are the Loving Father and his two sons, one prodigal and one angry.

Luke 15:11-32

Let's look at the problems of the angry brother who saw himself as better than his brother.

1. He was _____ of the _____.

Luke 15:25-27 "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. ²⁷ 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.'

Question 1: Is it possible to miss the _____ and not participate in the _____?

2. He was _____ to _____.

Luke 15:28-29 "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. 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.'

Question 2: Is it possible to not _____ when someone else repents and _____?

3. He was _____ toward the Father.

Luke 15:30-32 But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!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.”

Question 3: Is it possible to be part of the _____ and totally _____ against the Father?

Truths From This Story:

1. The Prodigal Son is compared to the _____ and _____.
2. The angry older brother is like the _____ and _____.
3. The Father, of course, is pictured as the _____ in contrast to the _____.

The One Thing:

When jealousy leads to anger, God’s blessing may be _____ and the _____ for rejoicing with others may be _____.