

The Other Brother

Luke 15:27-32

Introduction

1. Much examination is given to the father and prodigal son in this parable.
2. What about the other brother?

I. He missed the joy of service

- A. Worked in his father's field
 - a. Should have been joyous
 - b. Had the wrong attitude
- B. He put in his time
 - a. Worked flawlessly for his father

II. He magnified his brother's sin

- A. The brothers additions
 1. Text said \$ was wasted in riotous living.
 2. Brother said he was with harlots and devoured goods

III. He minimized his brother's repentance

- A. He was angry
 1. He should have rejoiced to see his brother
- B. He would not go in

IV. He maximized his own virtues

- A. I served so many years
- B. I have never been a problem

V. He misrepresented his father

- A. Claimed the father's treatment was unfair
 1. You killed the fatted calf for the one who wasted everything.

Conclusion

1. Avoid being like the other brother when our spiritual brothers and sisters repent