Sons & Daughters

John 14:18 (NIV) I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

Orphan: comfortless, fatherless

Signs of an orphan mindset:

Persecutor



Rescuer

Victims have:

self pity

depression, despair

no hope

They believe "life is too painful"

Traits of a victim:

chronic depression appearing helpless numb pain

Persecutors have:

bitterness

hatred

rebellion

They believe "I must make them see the error of their ways"

Traits of a Persecutor:

abusers

trouble makers
hyper perfectionists
work-aholics
inflexible

Rescuers have:

charisma
a love of the spotlight
an appetite for praise
a desire to fix

They believe "It is my job to change the world"

Traits of a Rescuer:

helpful overly generous outgoing

At the heart of an Orphan mindset is a root of:

abandonment rejection isolation

Luke 15:11-31 NIV -I will read this please put in YouVersion

Luke 15:29 (NIV) 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.

Saw himself as a slave not a son.

Orphan Mindset brings out:

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

Anger
Isolation
Entitlement
Vs 29 All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed
Jealousy
Lack of Inheritance
vs 39 You've always been with me

Freedom from the Orphan Mindset:

Pursuing His Presence

Gal 4:7 (NLT) Now you are no loner a slave but God's own child. And since you are his child, God has made you his heir.

Matt 28:20 (NIV) and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always.

Ps 23:4 (NKJV) Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me;