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outward





**25** “Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing.

**26** And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant.

**27** And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.'

**28** But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him,

**29** but he answered his father,  
'Look, these many years I have  
served you, and I never  
disobeyed your command, yet  
you never gave me a young goat,  
that I might celebrate with my  
friends.'

**30** But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!'

**31** And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours.

**32** It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”