

“A CERTAIN MAN HAD TWO SONS”

Luke 15: 11

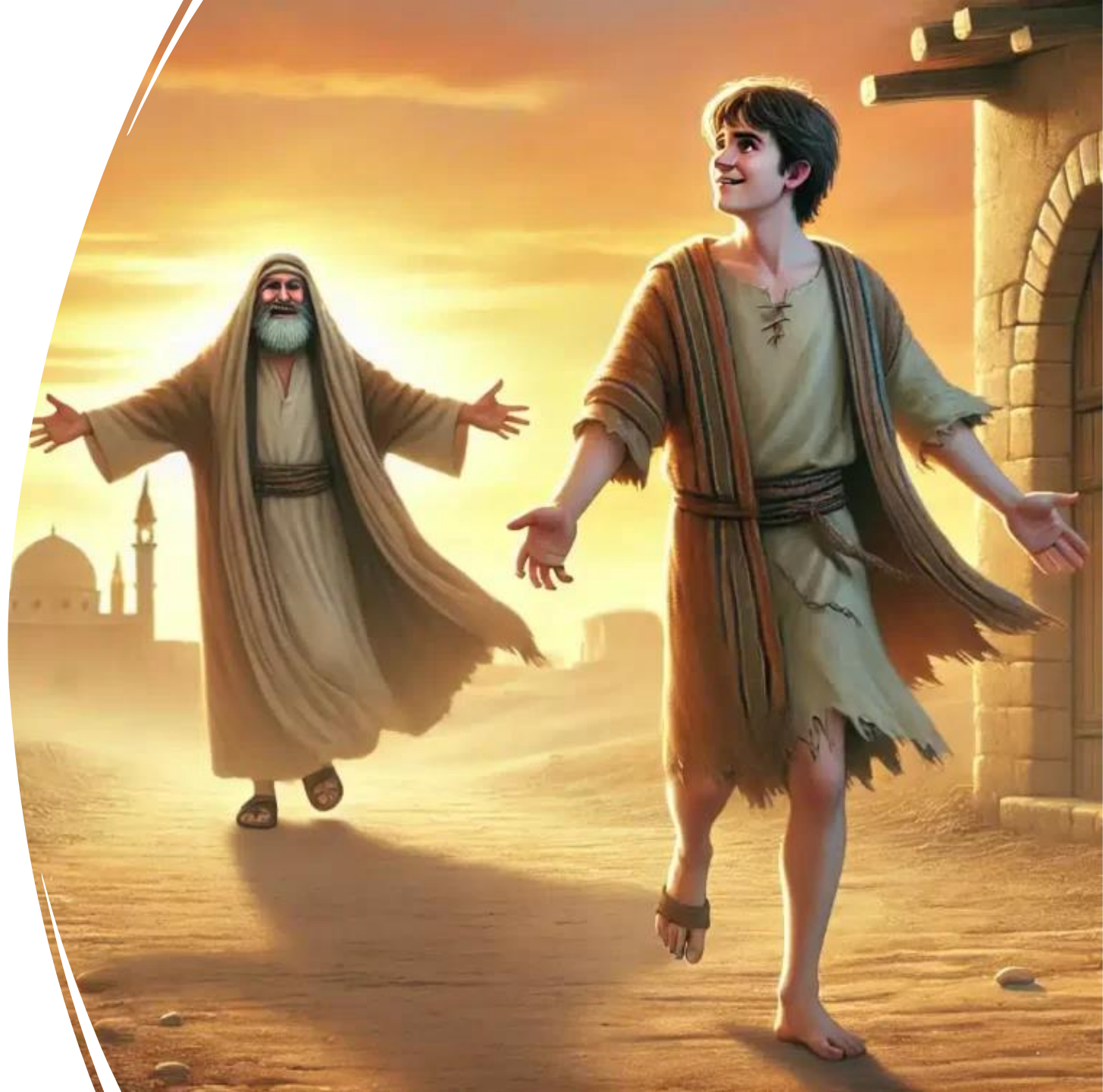


LESSONS FROM
A
GOOD FATHER



1. Respected his son's wish to leave the fathers' house

- Allowing him to learn from the school of consequences.
- Understanding that he will never win his son if he keeps him against his will.



2. Not rushing to help him while suffering outside.

- “And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him *anything*” *Luke 15: 16*



3. *The compassionate acceptance once more*

- The waiting, the running to receive his son, and falling on his neck.
- Restoring the son to his first state.





*4. In return to a
sincere repentance,
He granted a
second chance*

- Not adding of the pain of rebuke to his son's suffering of failure.

5. The acceptance of his return even for a selfish reason.

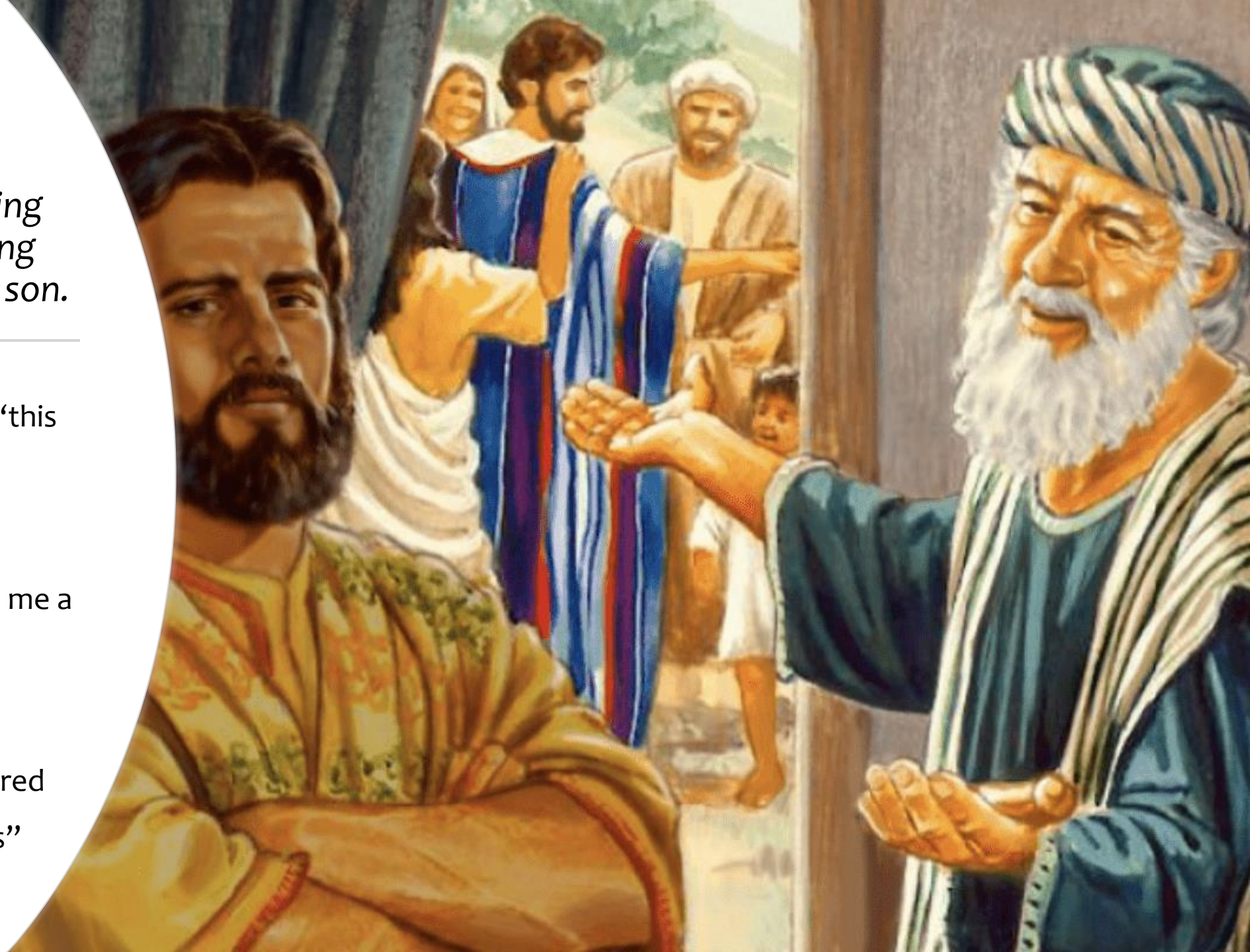
- “But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!’”

Luke 15: 17



6. *The patient and loving correction of the wrong convictions of the older son.*

- “Your brother” instead of “this son of yours”
- “all that I have is yours.”
instead of “you never gave me a young goat”
- “your brother was dead”
instead of “who has devoured your livelihood with harlots”





7. *The good memories of a warm and generous family house*

- “How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough and to spare”

Luke 15: 17

- What are the pictures saved in the family albums?