

COME AND DRINK THE LIVING WATER

The story is told in Luke chapter fifteen from verse eleven of two sons of a father. The younger son asked his father for his portion of inheritance. It was bad enough that this young man could not wait till his father's death to inherit him but strange too, the father granted his request, divided his goods and delivered him his portion.

The prodigal son travelled far from home and squandered all his inheritance in riotous living. Then there arose a mighty famine and he started to want. He suffered much that he worked as a hireling feeding swine, and hungered much that he wished to feed on the husks that the swine ate but no one gave him.

Suddenly, he came to himself and realized he shouldn't have left home in the first place. He reasoned that even his father's servants were better than him in his fallen state. He then resolved to return home and beg his father's forgiveness. Meanwhile, his father had been praying and waiting for his return all along.

When the prodigal son finally emerged, he expected rejection but his father accepted him. He embraced and kissed him, removed his filthy rag and gave him a new robe, a ring, a pair of shoes and a party. The father considered him lost but now found; dead but now alive.

The new robe is the righteousness of the saints; our wedding gown as the bride of Christ. It shows the acceptance of a lost sinner before God. The ring stands for our restored authority and the shoes enable a new walk with God. Heaven rejoices over every soul that truly repents and turns to God (Luke 15: 10). The salvation of our soul surely calls for a party and celebration.

Dear friend, it does not matter how bad you are or how far you've wandered away from God, you can return today and be reconciled to Him. He will give you a new robe, a ring, a pair of shoes and a party. Heaven will rejoice over you! May you return today before it is too late! God bless you.