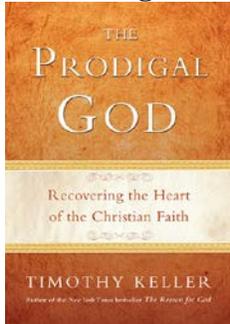


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**The Prodigal Son**  
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**Hebrews 12:1-3**

**Jesus, the Example**

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup><sup>[a]</sup>fixing our eyes on Jesus, the <sup>[b]</sup>author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

<sup>3</sup>For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary <sup>[c]</sup>and lose heart.

**Footnotes:**

- a. Hebrews 12:2 Lit *looking to*
- b. Hebrews 12:2 Or *leader*
- c. Hebrews 12:3 Lit *fainting in your souls*

**Luke 15:11-32**

**The Prodigal Son**

<sup>11</sup> And He said, "A man had two sons. <sup>12</sup> The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the estate that falls to me.' So he divided his <sup>[a]</sup>wealth between them. <sup>13</sup> And not many days later, the younger son gathered everything together and went on a journey into a distant country, and there he squandered his estate with loose living. <sup>14</sup> Now when he had spent everything, a severe famine occurred in that country, and he began to be impoverished. <sup>15</sup> So he went and <sup>[b]</sup>hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. <sup>16</sup> And he would have gladly filled his stomach with the <sup>[c]</sup> pods that the swine were eating, and no one was giving *anything* to him. <sup>17</sup> But when he came to <sup>[d]</sup>his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have more than enough bread, but I am dying here with hunger! <sup>18</sup> I will get up and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and <sup>[e]</sup>in your sight; <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me as one of your hired men.'" <sup>20</sup> So he got up and came to <sup>[f]</sup>his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion *for him*, and ran and <sup>[g]</sup>embraced him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> And the son

said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’<sup>22</sup> But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet;’<sup>23</sup> and bring the fattened calf, kill it, and let us eat and celebrate;’<sup>24</sup> for this son of mine was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.’ And they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup>“Now his older son was in the field, and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing.<sup>26</sup> And he summoned one of the servants and *began* inquiring what these things could be.<sup>27</sup> 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.’<sup>28</sup> But he became angry and was not willing to go in; and his father came out and *began* pleading with him.<sup>29</sup> But he answered and said to his father, ‘Look! For so many years I have been serving you and I have never<sup>[h]</sup> neglected a command of yours; and *yet* you have never given me a young goat, so that I might celebrate with my friends;’<sup>30</sup> but when this son of yours came, who has devoured your<sup>[i]</sup> wealth with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him.’<sup>31</sup> And he said to him, ‘Son, you<sup>[j]</sup> have always been with me, and all that is mine is yours.’<sup>32</sup> But we had to celebrate and rejoice, for this brother of yours was dead and *has begun* to live, and *was* lost and has been found.’”

#### Footnotes:

- a. Luke 15:12 Lit *living*
- b. Luke 15:15 Lit *was joined to*
- c. Luke 15:16 I.e. of the carob tree
- d. Luke 15:17 Lit *himself*
- e. Luke 15:18 Lit *before you*
- f. Luke 15:20 Lit *his own*
- g. Luke 15:20 Lit *fell on his neck*
- h. Luke 15:29 Or *disobeyed*
- i. Luke 15:30 Lit *living*
- j. Luke 15:31 Lit *are always with me*

## John 17

### The High Priestly Prayer

<sup>1</sup>Jesus spoke these things; and lifting up His eyes to heaven, He said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son, that the Son may glorify You,<sup>2</sup> even as You gave Him authority over all flesh, that to<sup>[a]</sup> all whom You have given Him, He may give eternal life.<sup>3</sup> This is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.<sup>4</sup> I glorified You on the earth,<sup>[b]</sup> having accomplished the work which You have given Me to do.<sup>5</sup> Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

<sup>6</sup>“I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word.<sup>7</sup> Now they have come to know that everything You have given Me is from You;’<sup>8</sup> for the words which You gave Me I have given to them; and they received *them* and truly understood that I came forth from You, and they believed that You sent Me.<sup>9</sup> I ask on their behalf; I do not ask on behalf of the world, but of those whom You have given Me; for they are Yours;’<sup>10</sup> and all things that are Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine; and I have been glorified in them.<sup>11</sup> I am no longer in the world; and *yet* they themselves are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep them in Your name, *the name* which You have given Me, that they may be one even as *We are*.<sup>12</sup> While I was with them, I was keeping them in Your name which You have given Me; and I guarded them and not one of them perished but the<sup>[c]</sup> son of perdition, so that the Scripture would be fulfilled.

### **The Disciples in the World**

<sup>13</sup> But now I come to You; and these things I speak in the world so that they may have My joy made full in themselves. <sup>14</sup> I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. <sup>15</sup> I do not ask You to take them out of the world, but to keep them <sup>[d]</sup>from <sup>[e]</sup>the evil *one*. <sup>16</sup> They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. <sup>17</sup> Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth. <sup>18</sup> As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup> For their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they themselves also may be sanctified in truth.

<sup>20</sup> “I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word; <sup>21</sup> that they may all be one; even as You, Father, *are* in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may <sup>[f]</sup>believe that You sent Me.

### **Their Future Glory**

<sup>22</sup> The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one; <sup>23</sup> I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected <sup>[g]</sup>in unity, so that the world may <sup>[h]</sup>know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me. <sup>24</sup> Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory which You have given Me, for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

<sup>25</sup> “O righteous Father, <sup>[i]</sup>although the world has not known You, yet I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me; <sup>26</sup> and I have made Your name known to them, and will make it known, so that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them.”

### **Footnotes:**

- a. John 17:2 Lit *everything that You have given Him, to them He may*
- b. John 17:4 Or *by accomplishing*
- c. John 17:12 Heb idiom for one destined to perish
- d. John 17:15 Or *out of* the power of
- e. John 17:15 Or *evil*
- f. John 17:21 Gr tense indicates *continually believe*
- g. John 17:23 Lit *into one*
- h. John 17:23 Gr tense indicates *continually know*
- i. John 17:25 Lit *even the world*

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