


Sonship | Part 3

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- Biblical sonship is a position in the spirit reserved for those who have God as their
Father
 - Who we are is not determined by WHAT WE DO but WHOSE WE ARE

“None are more hopelessly enslaved than those who falsely believe they are free”

— Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

- **Holy Spirit**

Jesus – the first Son: Gave us ACCESS

Show us the WAY: What He Did / Said

Romans 8:14

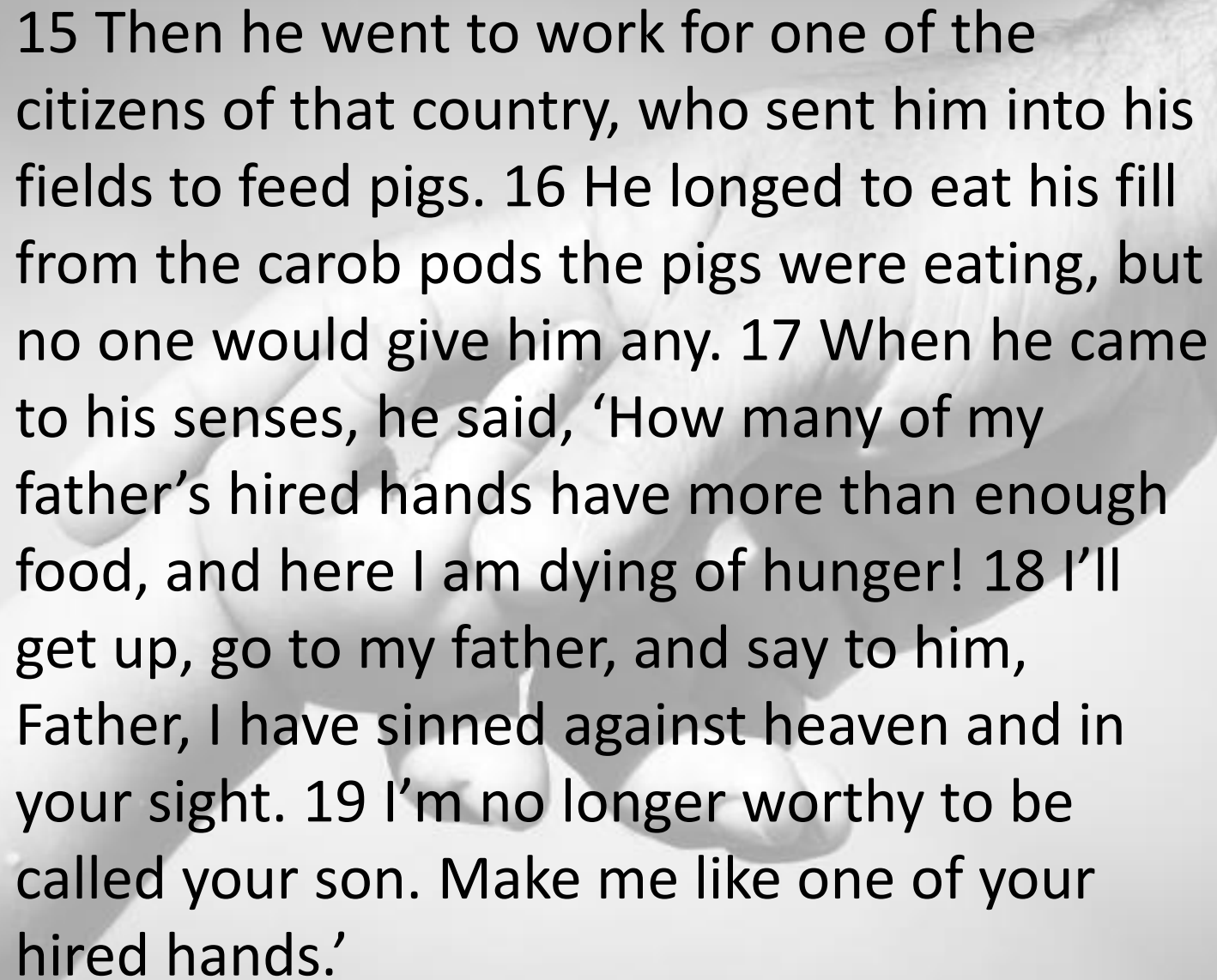
**For as many as are led by the Spirit
of God, they are the sons of God.**

1. Scriptures:

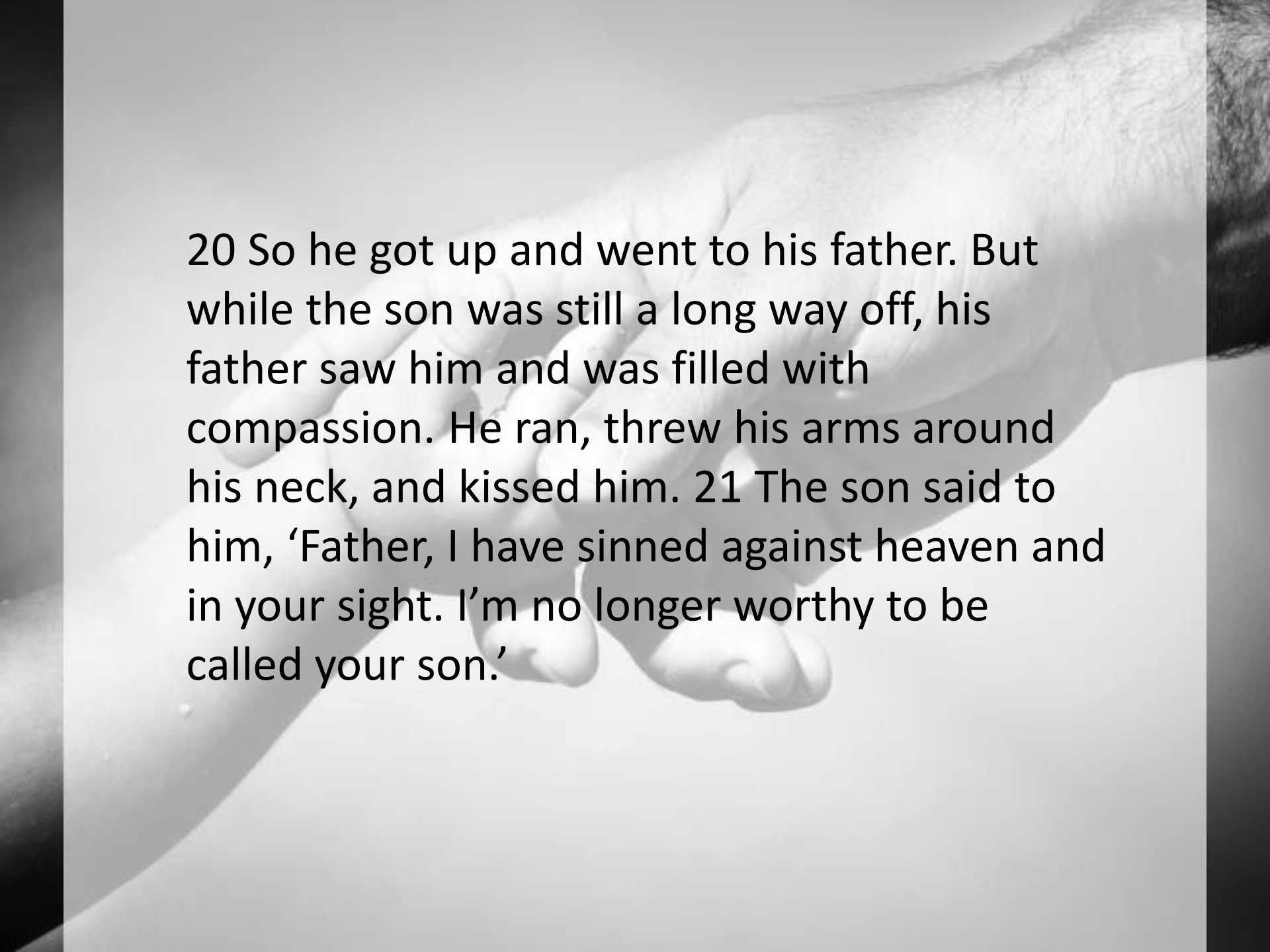
Luke 15:11-32 (HCSB)

The Parable of the Lost Son

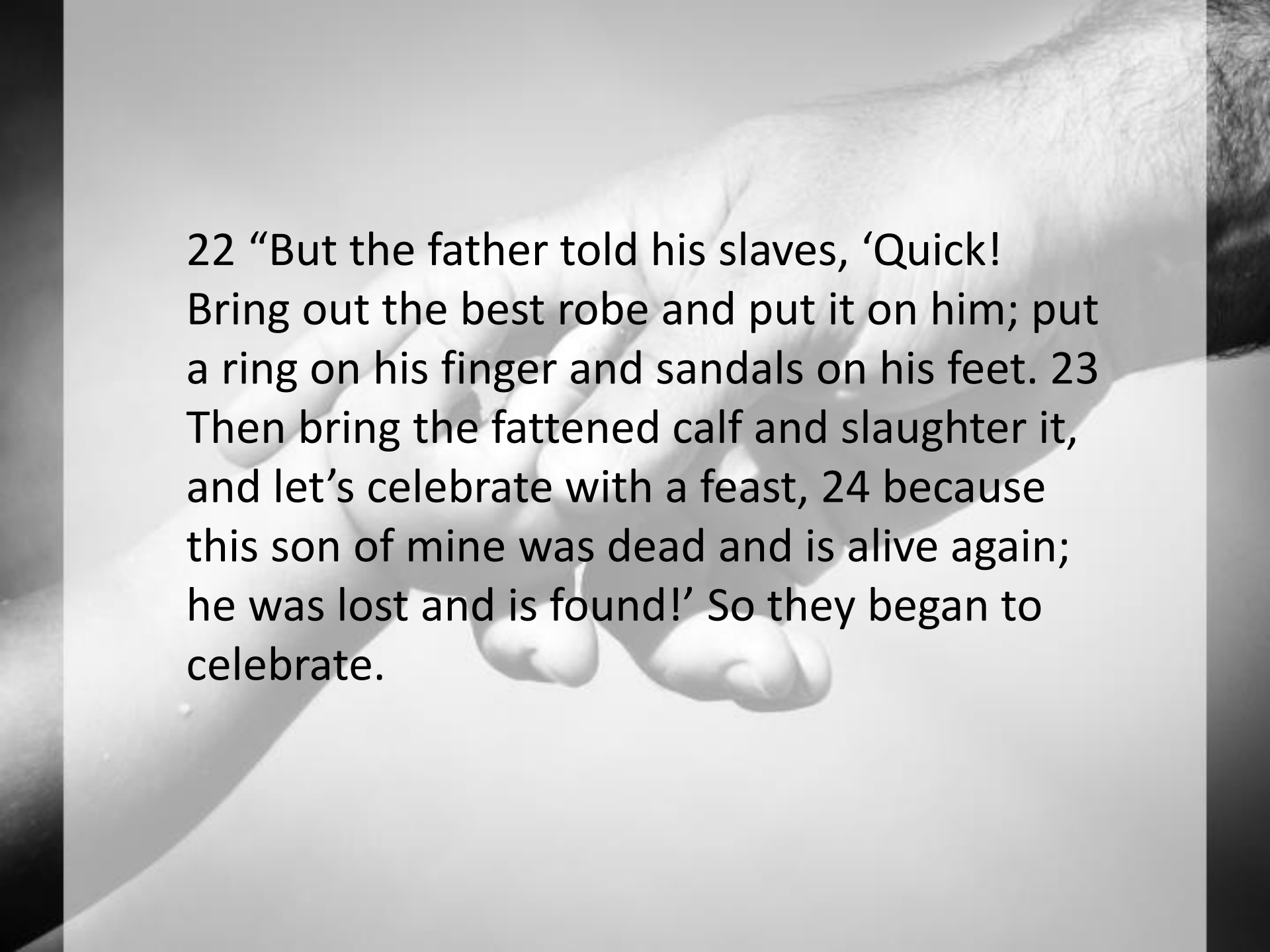
11 He also said: “A man had two sons. 12 The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the estate I have coming to me.’ So he distributed the assets to them. 13 Not many days later, the younger son gathered together all he had and travelled to a distant country, where he squandered his estate in foolish living. 14 After he had spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he had nothing.



15 Then he went to work for one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to eat his fill from the carob pods the pigs were eating, but no one would give him any. 17 When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have more than enough food, and here I am dying of hunger! 18 I'll get up, go to my father, and say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight. 19 I'm no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired hands.'

A black and white photograph of a hand reaching out, with text overlaid on it. The hand is positioned in the upper right quadrant, with fingers slightly curled. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light gray. The text is in a clean, black, sans-serif font, centered on the left side of the image.

20 So he got up and went to his father. But while the son was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion. He ran, threw his arms around his neck, and kissed him. 21 The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight. I'm no longer worthy to be called your son.'

A black and white photograph of a hand holding a small object, possibly a ring, with text overlaid. The hand is positioned in the upper right quadrant, with fingers slightly curled. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light gray. The text is in a clean, black, sans-serif font, centered on the left side of the image.

22 “But the father told his slaves, ‘Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Then bring the fattened calf and slaughter it, and let’s celebrate with a feast, 24 because this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ So they began to celebrate.



2. Sonship:

Three sons

Free will, choices

THAT MOMENT

17 When he came to his senses..

3.Elements of acceptance: ADOPTION

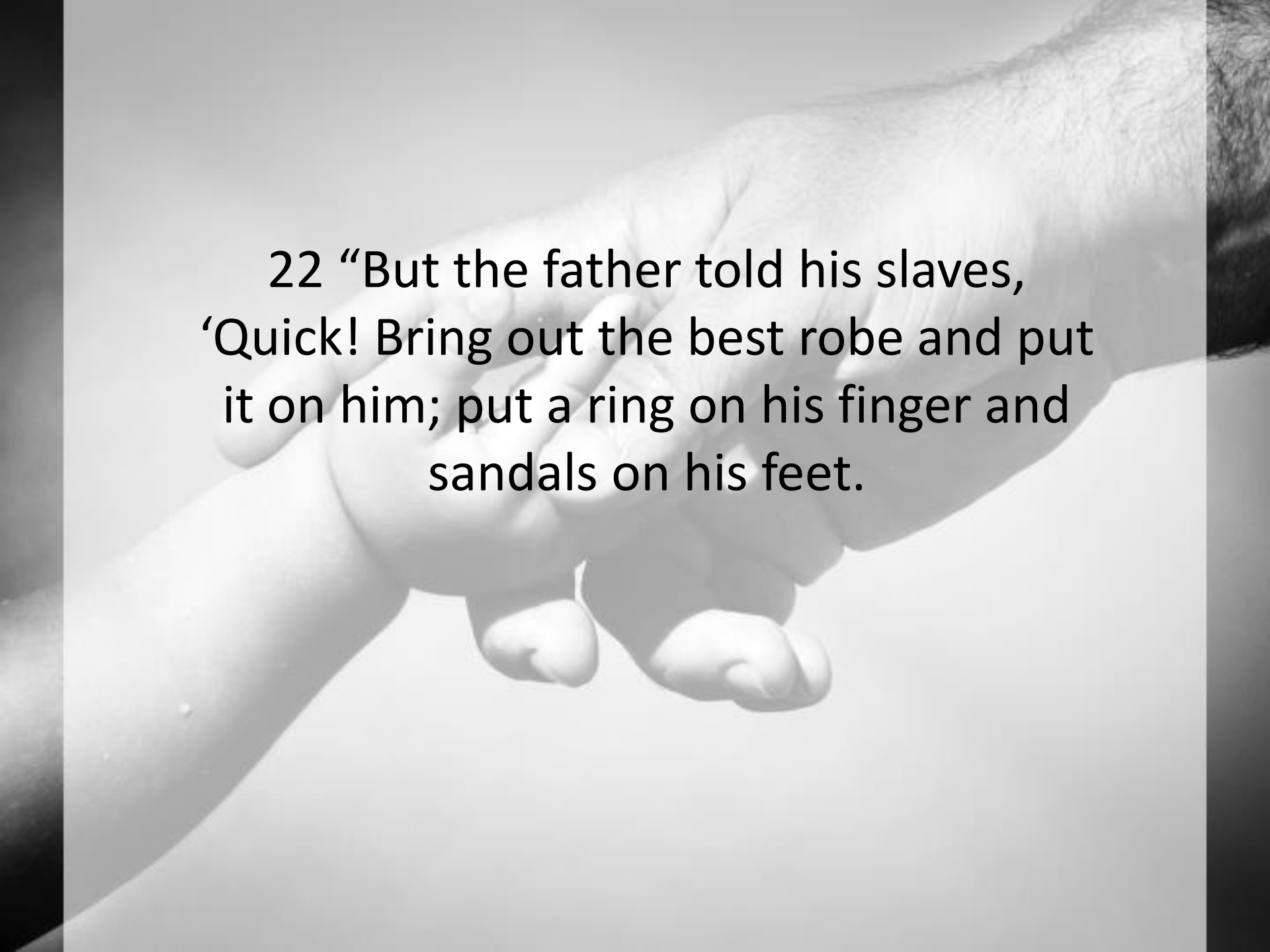
Repentant son gets restored in three areas:

(1) Identity

(2) Destiny

(3) Authority





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(1) The robe of Identity

Mark 10:46-52

A black and white photograph of a hand holding a foot, symbolizing care and support. The hand is positioned at the top right, with fingers gently gripping the foot. The foot is positioned at the bottom center, with toes pointing downwards. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light gray.

(2) The sandals of Destiny

Romans 8:29

For those He foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers.

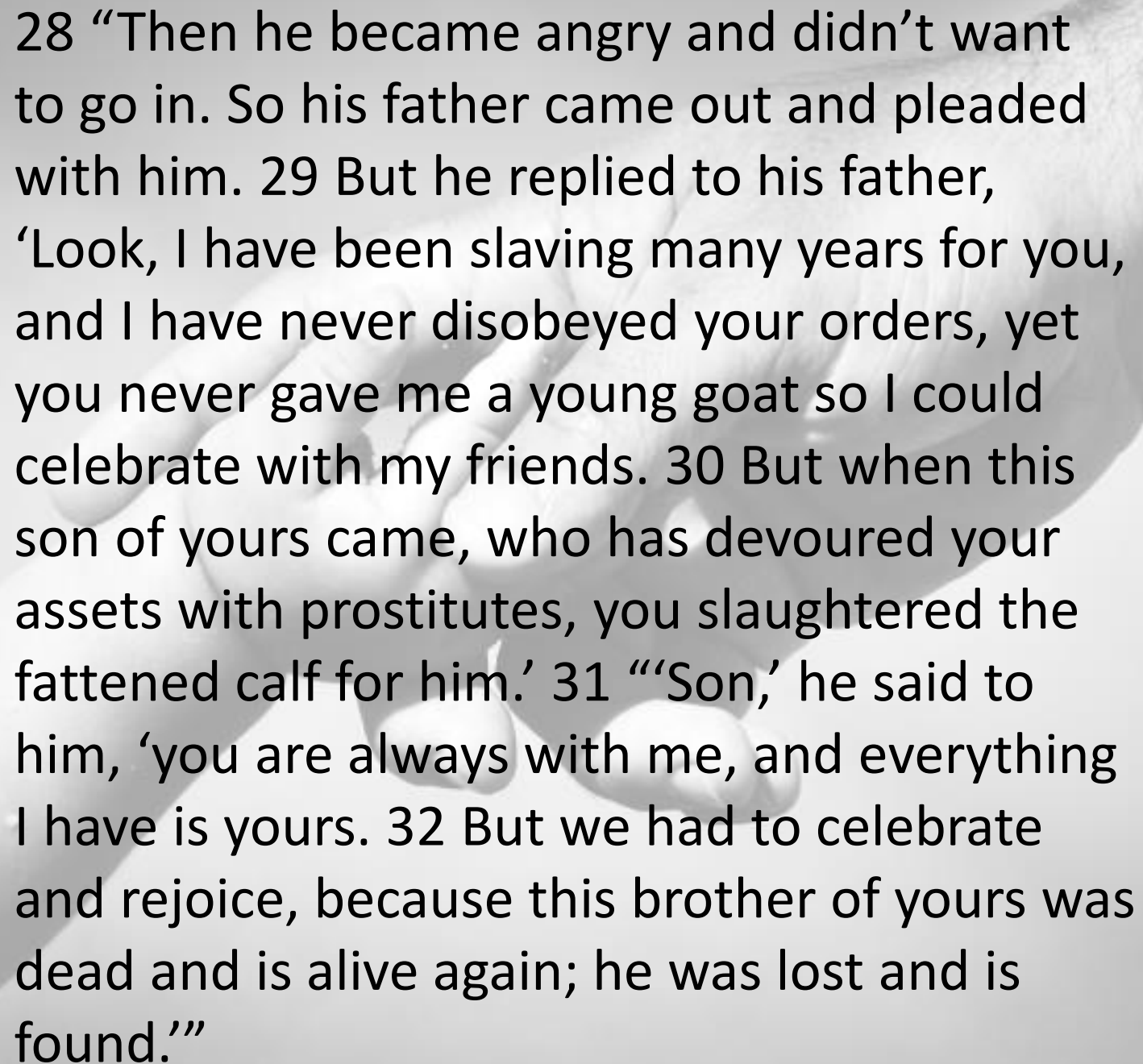
(3) The ring of Authority

Matthew 28:18-20 (NKJV)

¹⁸ And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age.” Amen.

4. The Other Son:

Luke 15:25 “Now his older son was in the field; as he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 So he summoned one of the servants and asked what these things meant. 27 ‘Your brother is here,’ he told him, ‘and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’



28 “Then he became angry and didn’t want to go in. So his father came out and pleaded with him. 29 But he replied to his father, ‘Look, I have been slaving many years for you, and I have never disobeyed your orders, yet you never gave me a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your assets with prostitutes, you slaughtered the fattened calf for him.’ 31 “‘Son,’ he said to him, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. 32 But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’”

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