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show up*

April 3

Jesus told a story once about a father who had two sons. The father asked them to come and work with him on a particular day. One said he would, and the other said he would not. The one who refused, later changed his mind and came to work for his father. The one who agreed never showed up. Jesus asked, "Which was the better son?"

God, like the father in the story, wants us to be good children, and He is after our heart, not just our attendance. Help is not help until something positive is done. Our heavenly Father is waiting for His children to join Him in working for the harvest, to share our lives with Him, and receive the reward He wants to share with us. Don't speak up if you're not going to show up.

*Prayer for Today*

Father, I want to be a good child. I want to know You and have a good relationship with You. What is important to You, is also important to me. Please show me what I can do today to make You a happy Father.

*Scriptures for Today*

Psalms 40:8 I take joy in doing Your will, my God, for Your law is written on my heart. (NLT)

John 14:23 Jesus replied, "All those who love Me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and live with them." (NLT)

John 17:3 And this is the way to have eternal life – to know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, the One You sent to earth. (NLT)