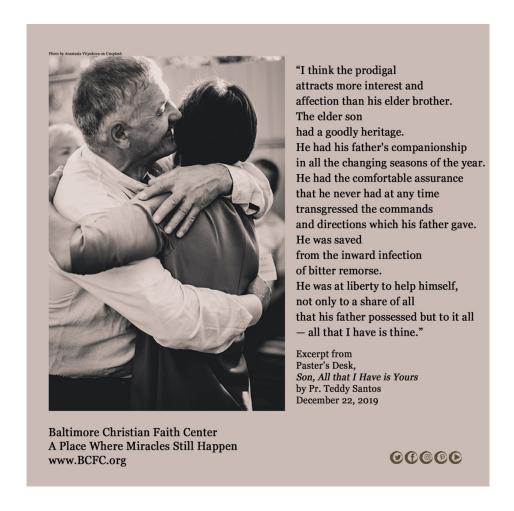
SON, ALL THAT I HAVE IS YOURS

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"He was angry, and would not go in; therefore came his father out, and intreated him. And he said unto him, Son thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine." Luke 15:28-31 - KJV

How loveless and selfish was the spirit of the elder brother! He was jealous of the welcome given to the prodigal and complained that so much should be lavished on one whose conduct had been so great a contrast to his own. His selfish spirit alienated him from his father, who had to go out and entreat him to come in; for selfishness always isolates.

Of the two, I think the prodigal attracts more interest and affection than his elder brother. The elder son had a goodly heritage. He had his father's companionship in all the changing seasons of the year. He had the comfortable assurance that he never had at any time transgressed the commands and directions which his father gave. He was saved from the inward infection of bitter remorse. He was at liberty to help himself, not only to a share of all that his father possessed but to it all—all that I have is thine.

This is our heritage also, as the sons and daughters of the Almighty God! We may always live in the presence and companionship of God, talking over with Him all that concerns our lives and His work; we, too, are at liberty to draw on His vast resources, for whatever we require, since all that He has is ours in Christ, to be claimed by constant faith.

And what He requires is fellowship, communion, obedience, and reverence. Unity with the Lord brings far more fulfillment than what we could ever imagine - both in this life and in the life to come after we leave this earth. It is in these times I recall Ephesians 3:20, which states, "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think....

Our God - he is able, and He is willing!

At His Service, Pr. Teddy Santos