

## FACING GIANTS

Facing the Giant of Bitterness

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Luke 15:25-32

I. Learn to **Appreciate** People Who Hurt: (vs. 25-27)

- A. The older brother knew what his brother did and harbored **resentment**.
- B. The older brother refused to appreciate his **father's heart** nor his **brother's pain**.
- C. The older brother knew this day was coming and prepared to **spoil their plans**.

II. Learn to Recognize the **Blessings** You **Have**: (vs. 28-31)

- A. The blessing of living a life of service is **incomparable**.
- B. The blessing of living a life free from **transgressions** bears its own rewards.
- C. The blessing of being an heir of our Father is joy unspeakable.

III. Learn to **Celebrate** with Those Who **Deserve** It: (vs. 32)

- A. Celebration belongs to the **deserving**.
- B. Celebration is the right thing to do because it can bring a **miracle to you**.