
UNSHAKABLE SONSHIP

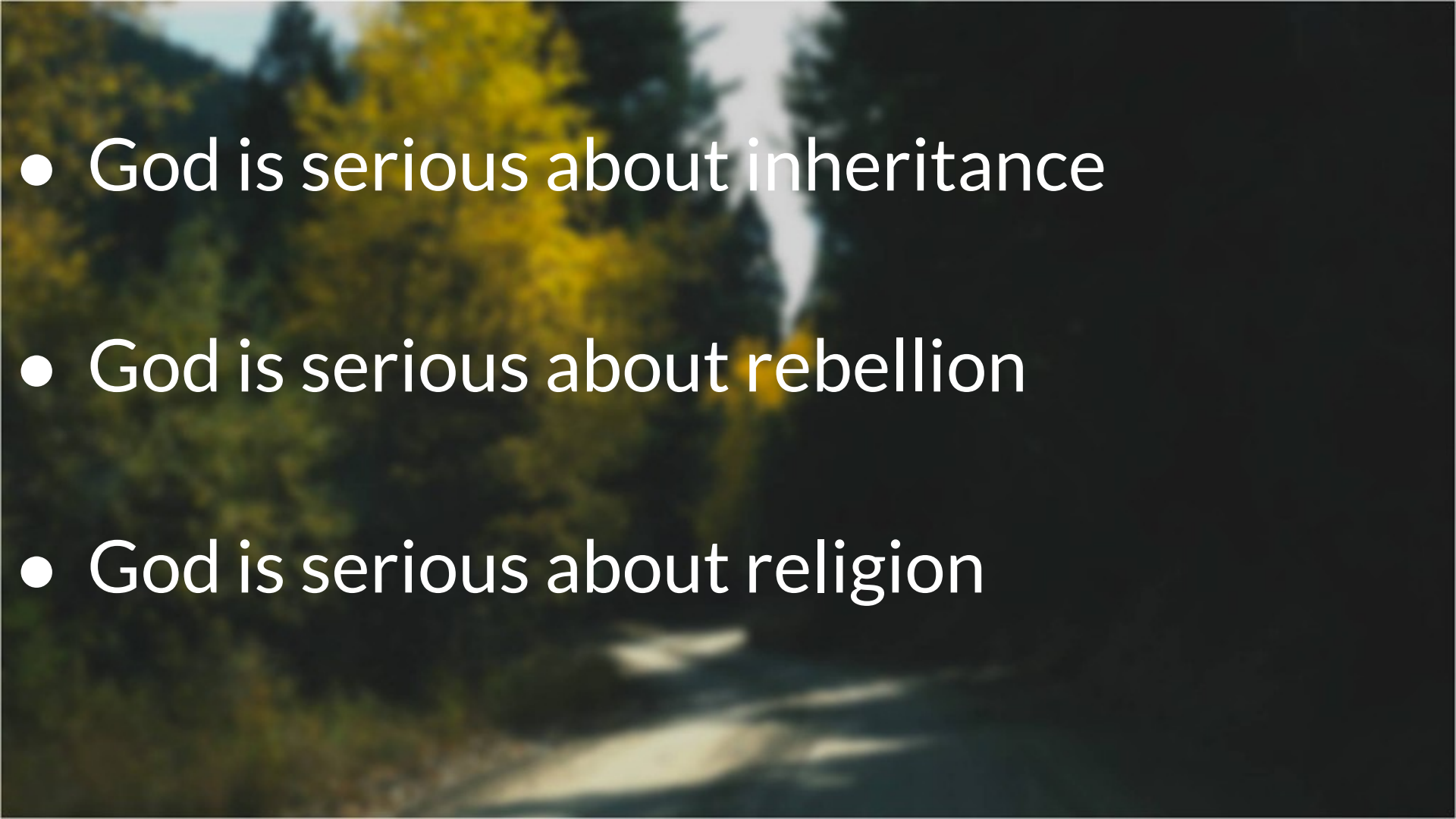


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Deuteronomy 21:15-21 New King James Version (NKJV)

15 “If a man has two wives, one loved and the other unloved, and they have borne him children, *both* the loved and the unloved, and *it* the firstborn son is of her who is unloved, **16** then it shall be, on the day he bequeaths his possessions to his sons, *that* he must not bestow firstborn status on the son of the loved wife in preference to the son of the unloved, the *true* firstborn. **17** But he shall acknowledge the son of the unloved wife *as* the firstborn by giving him a double portion of all that he has, for he *is* the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn *is* his.

18 “If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and *who*, when they have chastened him, will not heed them, **19** then his father and his mother shall take hold of him and bring him out to the elders of his city, to the gate of his city. **20** And they shall say to the elders of his city, ‘This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious; he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton and a drunkard.’ **21** Then all the men of his city shall stone him to death with stones; so you shall put away the evil from among you, and all Israel shall hear and fear.

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- God is serious about inheritance
 - God is serious about rebellion
 - God is serious about religion

Luke 15 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

1 Now the tax collectors and [notorious and [[a](#)]especially wicked] sinners were all coming near to [Jesus] to listen to Him.

2 And the Pharisees and the scribes kept muttering *ana* indignantly complaining, saying, This man accepts *ana* receives *ana* welcomes [[[b](#)]preeminently wicked] sinners and eats with them...



Two sons....

Three relationships with the Father

Luke 15:11-32 New King James Version (NKJV)

The Rebellious Son

11 Then He said: "A certain man had two sons. 12 And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.' So he divided to them his livelihood.

13 And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with[a]prodigal living. 14 But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. 15 Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

16 And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the [b]pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything.

The Righteous Son

17 “But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, 19 and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants.” ’

20 “And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. 21 And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

22 “But the father said to his servants, [c] ‘Bring out the best robe and put *it* on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on *his* feet.

23 And bring the fatted calf here and kill *it*, and let us eat and be merry; 24 for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ And they began to be merry.

- **Robe = Identity**. No more shame. Accepted by the Father through the blood of Christ that covers us.
- **Ring = Authority**. Christ in us, empowers us to walk in spiritual authority.
- **Sandals = Destiny**. Sent forth with the purpose of God.

The Religious Son

25 “Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. **26** So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. **27** And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.’ **28** “But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. **29** So he answered and said to *his* father, ‘Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends.’

30 But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.'

31 "And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours.'**32** It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.' "

Older son

Younger son

Younger son resurrected

The Religious son

The Rebellious son

The Righteous son

Slavish heart

Selfish heart

Servant heart

Abides in the field

Abides in the far country

Abides in the father's house

Works for the Father

Father work for him

Works with the Father

Wants a skinny goat

Wants his inheritance

Wants to serve his father

Religion/Legalism: man's way of getting to God

Rebellion/License: man's way of getting away from God

Righteousness/Liberty: God's way of getting to God

Galatians 3:26 New King James Version (NKJV)

26 For you are all sons of God *through faith in Christ Jesus.*

John 1:12-13 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

12 But to *as many as did receive and welcome Him*, He gave the authority (power, privilege, right) to become the children of God, that is, to those who believe in (adhere to, trust in, and rely on) His name—**13** Who owe their birth neither to [a]bloods nor to the will of the flesh [that of physical impulse] nor to the will of man [that of a natural father], but to God. [They are born of God!]

Galatians 4:4-7 New King James Version (NKJV)

4 But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born[a] of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

6 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, [b]“Abba, Father!” 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir [c]of God [d]through Christ.

Ephesians 1:5,11 New King James Version (NKJV)

5 having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will **11** In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will,

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