

Sonship vs Orphan Spirit

Luke 5:11-32 Romans 8:28-29 (TPT)

The son says...

The Father knows me better than I know myself and He loves me.

Because I am a son, I have an inheritance from my father and I can relax.

I value love, life and relationships over knowledge and truth.

I speak the truth in love, and when appropriate.

I rely upon my Father, and so I say and do only what the Father tells me to say and do.

The orphan says...

Nobody knows what I'm going through or the pain I'm in and God doesn't care.

I don't have an inheritance, so I must claw and grab for everything I can get to meet my needs.

I aim at taking what belongs to sons since they didn't do anything to deserve what they have. I'll control and manipulate to get my way.

I value truth and knowledge over love and life.

I rely on my gifts and talents.

Points for Discussion

1. *What is the origin of orphan mentality?*
2. *Since God is not partial, how do people end up feeling like orphans?*
3. *How can we help believers who are trapped in this way of life?*

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