

**Berean Christian Church**  
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**Bible Study**

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**Positive Outcomes of Being a Compassionate Person**  
**Luke 15:17-24**

Acts 11:23, 24 read, *“Barnabas was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith. When he went to Antioch and saw how God had blessed the believers there, he was very happy. He encouraged them all, saying, “Always be faithful to the Lord. Serve him with all your heart.” Many more people became followers of the Lord.”* (ERV) These verses reveal the positive impact one individual had on an entire church. Modern day Christians should constantly strive to inspire and influence others to live a life pleasing to the Lord. One way of doing this is by being genuinely concerned about the welfare of people from all walks of life. This lesson is designed to share positive outcomes of being a compassionate person.

**Breakdown of Luke 15:11-32**

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| 1. | The _____ | from the son | <b>Verses 11, 12</b> |
| 2. | The _____ | by the son   | <b>Verses 13-16</b>  |
| 3. | The _____ | of the son   | <b>Verses 17-32</b>  |

1. \_\_\_\_\_ to others can be a positive outcome of being a compassionate person.

**Verse 22**

*“But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet.’”* (NIV)

2. \_\_\_\_\_ toward others can be a positive outcome of being a compassionate person.

**Verse 23**

*“Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate.”* (NIV)

3. \_\_\_\_\_ with others can be a positive outcome of being a compassionate person.

**Verse 24**

*“For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate.”* (NIV)

4. \_\_\_\_\_ of others can be a positive outcome of being a compassionate person.

**Verses 25, 28**

*“Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. 28) “The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him.”* (NIV)

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