

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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Joshua 5:9-12 • Psalm 32 • 2 Corinthians
5:16-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32



... the Pharisees ... were grumbling
and saying, "This fellow welcomes
sinners and eats with them."
So he told them this parable:
"There was a man who had two
sons.

Luke 15:3, 11b



Going to Church -- William H. Johnson, Smithsonian Museum of American Art, Washington, DC

The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them.

Luke 15:12



Departure of the Prodigal Son -- Jan Molenaer, Netherlands Institute of Art History

A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living.

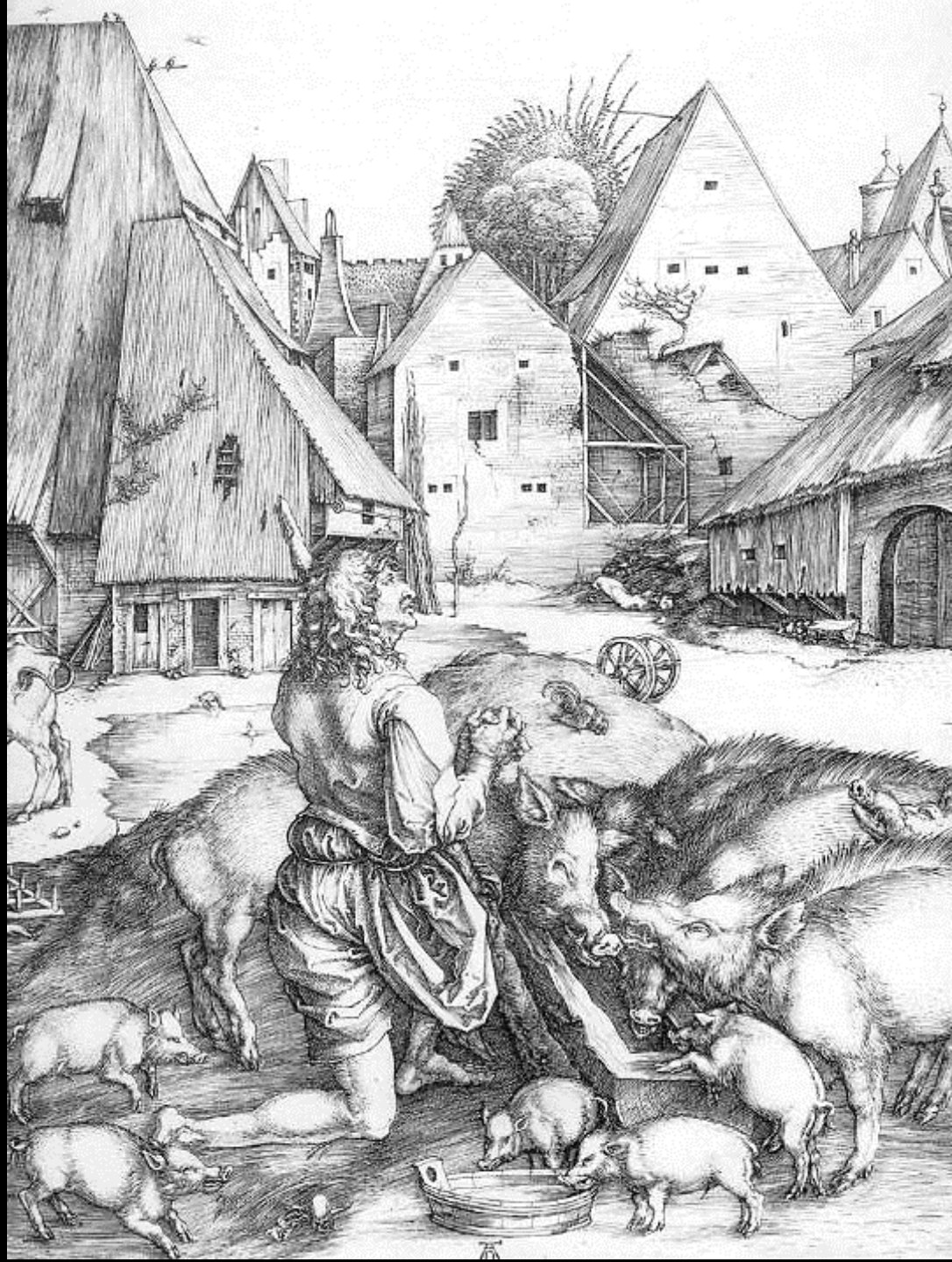
Luke 15:13



The Prodigal Son -- Gerard van Honthorst, Alte Pinakothek, Munich, Germany

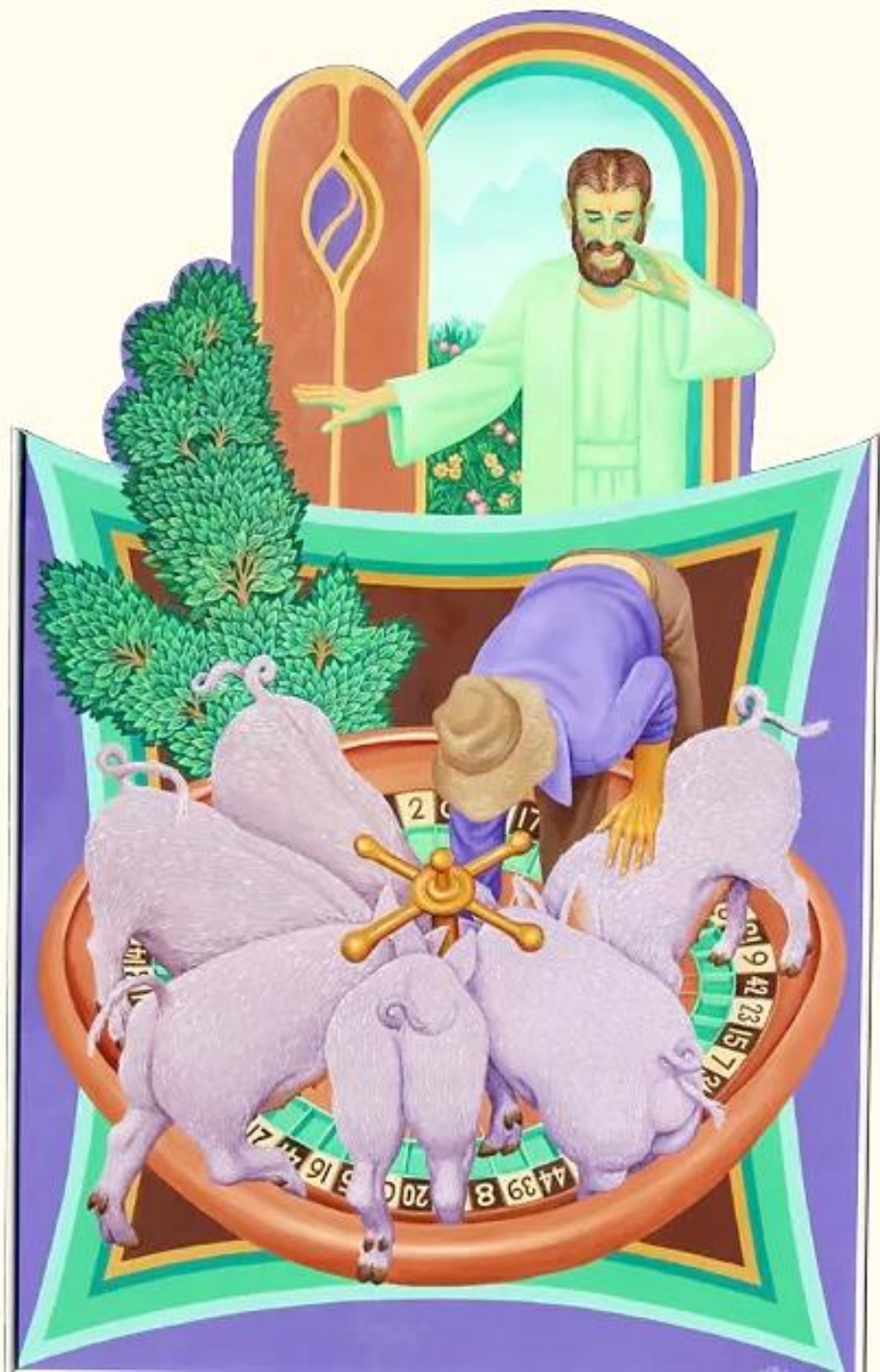
So he went and hired himself out to ... feed the pigs. 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger!'

Luke 15:15ac, 17b



The Prodigal Son

Albrecht Durer
Staatliche Kunsthalle
Karlsruhe, Germany



The Prodigal Son

Peter Koenig

I will get up and go to my father,
and I will say to him, "... I am no
longer worthy to be called your
son; treat me like one of your hired
hands."

Luke 15:18a, 19



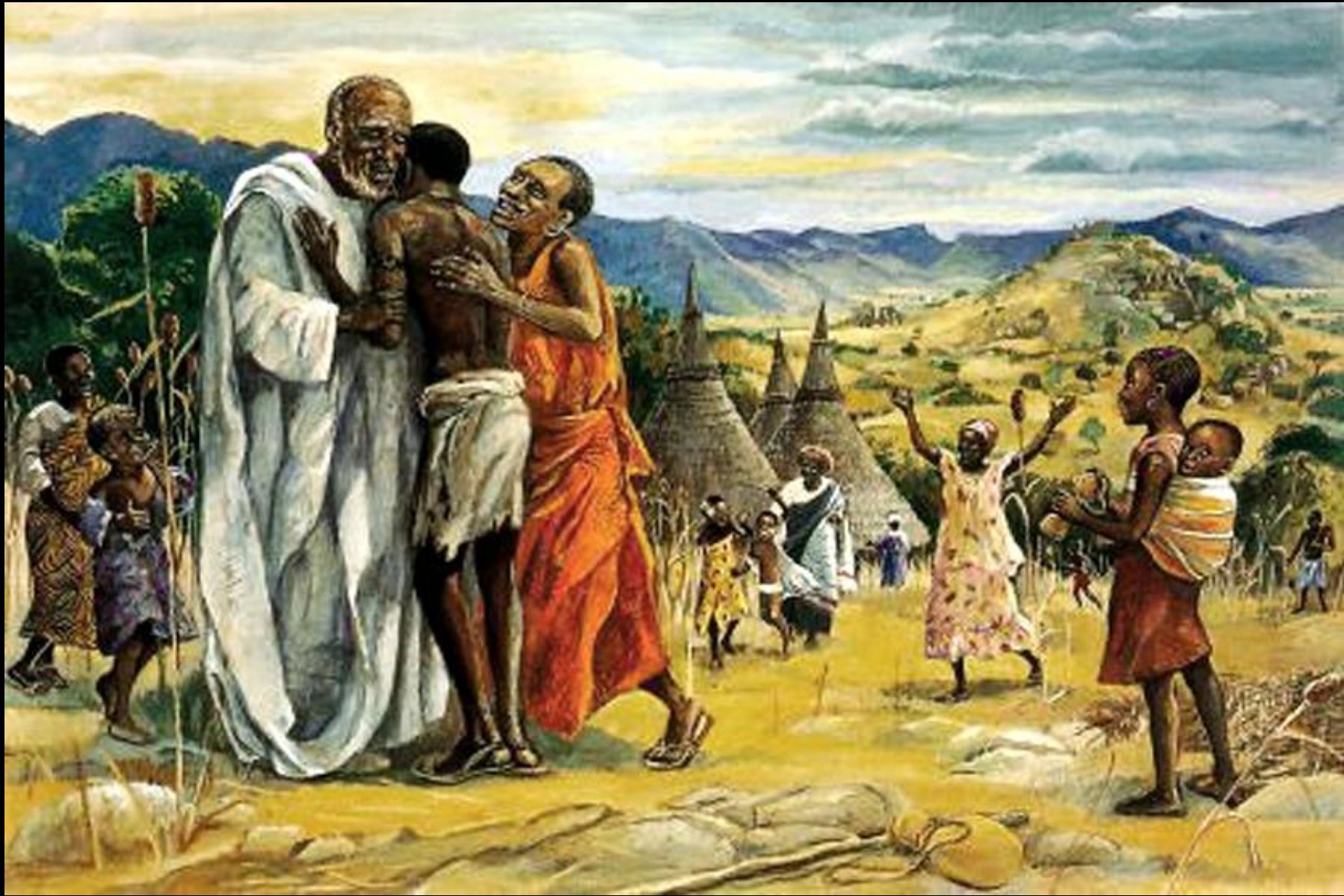
Prodigal Son -- John Swann, Tate Britain, London, England

... But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him.

Luke 15:20b



The Prodigal Son -- Jean Forain, ink drawing, early 20th century



The Prodigal Son -- JESUS MAFA, Cameroon

The Return of the
Prodigal Son

Hans Feddersen
Kunsthalle Kiel
Kiel, Germany





The Return of the
Prodigal Son

Elena Murariu

The Return of the Prodigal Son

Rembrandt
Hermitage Museum
St. Petersburg, Russia



'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; ... And get the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate;

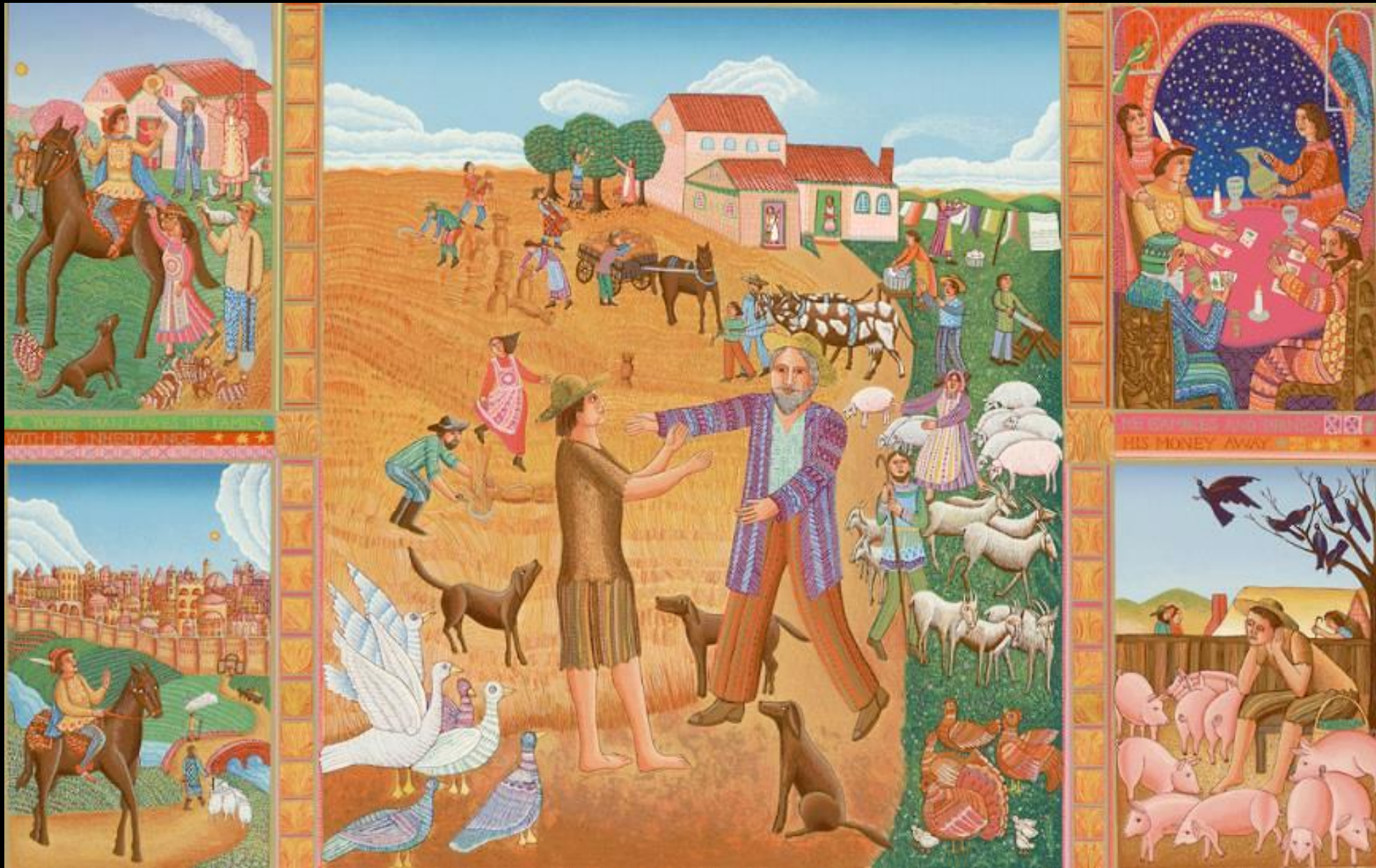
Luke 15:22a, 23

Bartholome
Murillo
Return of the
Prodigal Son
National Gallery of
Art
Washington, DC



for this son of mine was dead
and is alive again; he was lost
and is found!

Luke 15:24



The Prodigal Son -- John August Swanson, serigraph, 1984

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