

THE UPSIDE DOWN KINGDOM

Part 2 of 2

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And I, like him, the elder son
Am prone to trust the works I've done,
And say to God: "*Why do you give
That Prodigal a chance to live?*"

And then, in Love, He let's me see:
The Prodigal is really me!
*And if The Kingdom I would claim,
I'll have to come in Jesus' Name!*

For in That Kingdom, I have found -
My values are all changed around -
*As Prodigal, I too must be -
Willing to come without one plea!*

(While eating in the house of a chief Pharisee
Jesus told the parable of "The Prodigal Son ") -
Luke 15:11-32

THE BEATTITUDES: *Attitudes of Being in Kingdom Living!*
*The Kingdom of God is truly an "Upside Down Kingdom" as
compared to the attitudes and values of the world's kingdoms -
Here are some examples:*

*The world values popularity, power and prestige -
The Kingdom of God. Blesses the meek and humble!*

*The world tries to settle differences by warfare -
Peacemakers are Blessed in The Kingdom of God!*

*Greed and Pleasure are often goals in the world's kingdoms -
Being merciful and righteous are Blessed in God's Kingdom!*

*"The Beatitudes" were the central theme of
Jesus' Teachings in His most notable sermon:
"The Sermon on the Mount:" Matthew 5:3-12!*