

CATHOLIC FAMILY IN TODAY'S WORLD

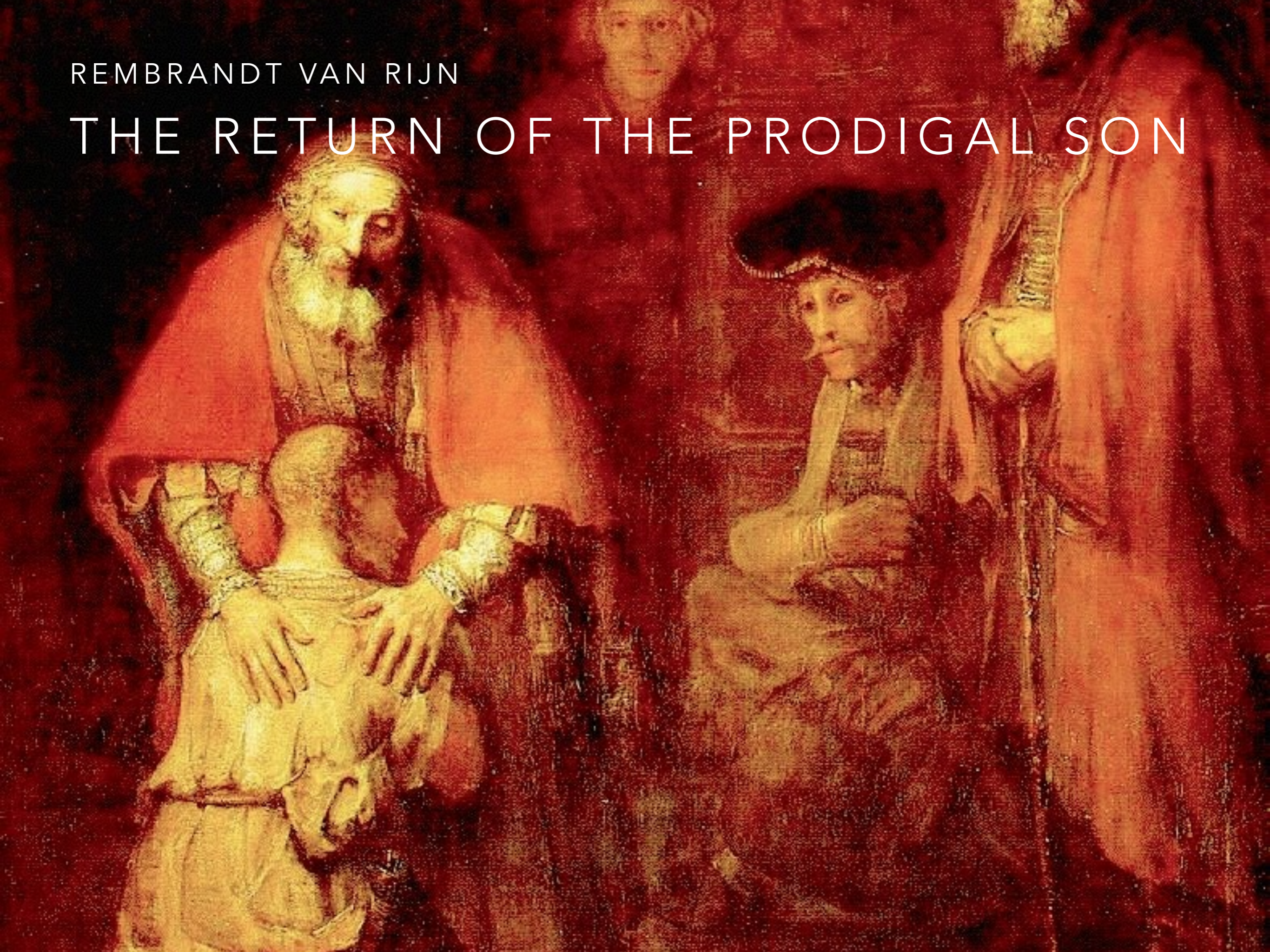
FATHER HEART OF GOD



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# THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON







Preoccupied



Gazing

Looking

Watching



"The desire for God is written in the human heart, because man is created by God and for God; and God never ceases to draw man to himself. Only in God will he find the truth and happiness he never stops searching for."

–CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH 27





BRENE BROWN

# RESEARCH ON CONNECTION

- Brought love, belonging, joy, creativity, purpose, meaning
- One group talked about DISCONNECTION & SHAME
- Difference in belief - "I'm worthy of love & belonging"



# RESEARCH ON CONNECTION

- COURAGE = "WHOLE-HEARTEDNESS"
  - to tell the story of who I am with my whole heart
  - to be imperfect, be kind to self, letting go of who they thought they should be
- VULNERABILITY
  - Be seen, be deeply seen, be vulnerably seen

"Growth begins when we begin to accept our own weakness."

—JEAN VANIER



"And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, establish, and strengthen you."

—1 PETER 5:10



"To be human is to accept who we are, this mixture of strength and weakness. To be human is to accept and love others just as they are... weakness carries with it a secret power. The cry and trust that flows from weakness can open hearts. The one who is weaker can call forth powers of love in the one who is stronger."

