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Teach Him a Lesson He'll *NEVER* forget!



"Go and learn the meaning of the words, I desire mercy, not sacrifice."

St. Matthew 9.13

The boy stood apprehensively before his father, his lips trembling, not knowing what to say, his eyes fixed hopelessly on his father's stern gaze.

He'd been caught.

And what he had done was terribly wrong, and very hurtful to his father. The boy knew it. He was without excuse.

Looking even more intently into his son's eyes, the father rose to his full height and in a voice resonating with depth and complete meaning, he uttered the very words the boy feared most:

"I am going to teach you a lesson you will never forget!"

The boy visibly quivered, but did not waver in his gaze. His father reached over to him, and the boy squinted, anticipating the pain.

Bringing his son's head to his chest, and folding his arms around him, the father said ...

"I forgive you."



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