

WHO WANTS TO BE A MILLIONAIRE?

By Geoff Serpell

This is a story of a wealthy man and his son who loved to collect rare works of art. In the collection were masters from around the world.

Making a long story short, the son was called up for duty in Vietnam, where he died saving the life of a fellow soldier. This soldier later knocked on the man's father's door and handed him a picture he had painted of the wealthy man's son. This picture of the deceased son was the pride and joy in the whole gallery of paintings.

Later the father also died and later still a great auction of all the paintings was arranged. Influential people flocked to the auction and were firstly shown the portrait of the late son.

"Who will bid for the picture of the son?" the auctioneer asked. Deathly silence. "We want to see the famous paintings. Skip this one," said a voice from the back of the hall.

It was a long time before a voice came, being from the long-time gardener of the man and his son. The bid was \$10. No one else spoke. "Sold for \$10," called the auctioneer and then he closed down the auction.

Amid uproar, it was stated that whoever bought the painting of the son would inherit the entire estate, including the paintings.

"The gardener who took the son's portrait gets everything."

Reflection:

God gave His son over 2000 years ago to die on the cross. Much like the auctioneer, His message today is: "The Son, the Son, who'll take the Son?" Because you see. Whoever takes the Son gets everything. For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, who so ever believeth, shall have eternal life. That is love.

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