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GRAND COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Sir Knights,

The following article was contributed by SK Dave Picciano, Eminent Commander of Melita Commandery #9 in Henderson, Nevada. His message is important in that we are always talking about attracting new members, but what about those we have let wander astray? We need to stretch forth a hand and encourage them to return to the fold, but we must be ready to offer them what they seek.

"As we struggle to maintain and increase our numbers in our commanderies, I can't help but think about the number of Sir Knights that are on our roster, but just not showing up to meetings. Some may not be attending due to age, ailment, or location, while others just need some convincing. It makes me think of the Prodigal Son. Luke 15: 11-32

""A certain man had two sons. And the younger of them said unto his father...... Bring forth the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his hand and shoes on his feet. And bring forth the fatted calf and kill it. For my son was lost, but is now found. Was dead, and is alive again.""

As Christian Knights, it is our duty, not only to bring these men back home, but to welcome them. To attempt to understand and address any issues that kept them from coming to conclave to begin with. We currently have roughly 20% of our active roster attending conclave regularly. What we all need to understand is that as Templars, like our Ancients, we need each other. Not only do we need the strength and support of one another, it is much easier to stay strong and live a Christian life when we are not alone. Standing together helps to ensure that we won't fall together. Let's reach out to lost Sir Knights, especially the Knights that we see supporting Blue Lodge regularly, and ask them to come home. A fatted calf is a small price to pay for a strong commandery."

Yours in Christ, SK Dave Picciano

Let us also remember that this month we celebrate the birth and life of George Washington, humble man and Mason. Let us strive to live by the same virtues that he exemplified.

In the name of our Blessed Emmanuel, may Peace be with You.

Courteously, SK Kevin McCans, KTCH Grand Commander

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