

*for the young people of Lion Walk United Reformed Church,  
Colchester*

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## Narrative:

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Do you know about the very very clever young man who had a good home and a good Dad, and a so-so brother; who walked out on it all and ended up feeding pigs? No? It was like this.

The very very clever young man - we call him Younger Brother - worked on his Dad's farm, and his Dad loved him. But Younger Brother didn't like farming. He didn't like digging, he didn't like weeding, he didn't like dirt under his fingernails.

'Some day', he said to himself, 'some day I shall inherit all this'. Then he remembered Elder Brother and said, 'Well, half of it, then. I'm going to tell my Dad I'd like my half now. Why be a farmer when I can be a big success in the city!'

His Dad was sad that Younger Brother wanted to leave home. But he didn't argue. He gave him the money which was his share of the farm.

# 1. The Father's Song

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Moderate

Voices



1. When you were a ba-by Your  
2. Then as you grew old-er But

mo-ther could-n't teach you, You would go your own way Where  
ve-ry lit-tle wis-er, Fol-ly made you bold-er And,

no-bo-dy could reach you. You just did-n't fear, You just did-n't hear,  
heed-ing no ad-vis-er, You just did-n't fear, You just did-n't hear,

*mf*

You had to learn for your-self.  
You had it made, for your-self.

*mf*