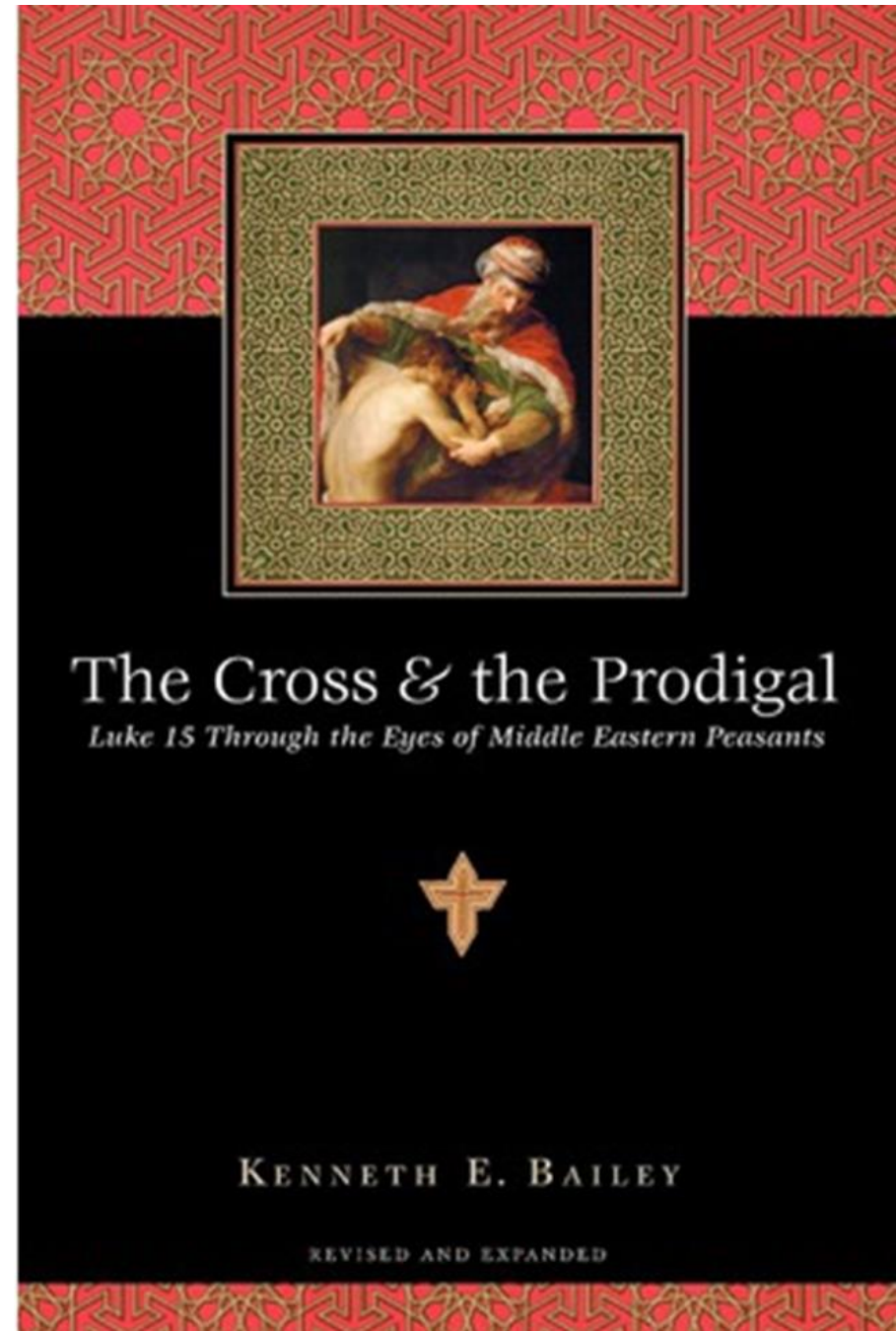


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The Cross & the Prodigal

Luke 15 Through the Eyes of Middle Eastern Peasants



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PRAYER

- **For all our unfaithfulness and disobedience; for the pride, vanity, and hypocrisy of our lives; Lord have mercy upon us.**



PRAYER

- **For our self-pity and impatience, and our envy of those we think more fortunate than ourselves; Lord have mercy upon us.**



PRAYER

- **For our unrighteous anger, bitterness, and resentment; for all lies, gossip, and slander against our neighbors;
Lord have mercy upon us.**



PRAYER

- **For our sexual impurity, our exploitation of other people, and our failure to give of ourselves in love; Lord, have mercy upon us.**



PRAYER

- **For our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our unchecked pursuit of worldly goods and comforts; Lord, have mercy upon us.**



PRAYER

- **For our dishonesty in daily life and work, our ingratitude for Your gifts, and our failure to heed Your call;
Lord have mercy upon us.**



PRAYER

**For our blindness to human
need and suffering, and our
indifference to injustice and
cruelty;
Lord have mercy upon us.**



PRAYER

**For all false judgments, for
prejudice and contempt of
others, and for all uncharitable
thoughts toward our
neighbors;
Lord, have mercy upon us.**



PRAYER

**For our negligence in prayer
and worship;**

**For our presumption and abuse
of Your means of grace;
Lord have mercy upon us.**



PRAYER

**For seeking the praise of
others rather than the approval
of God;**

Lord have mercy upon us.



PRAYER

**For our failure to commend
the faith is in us;
Lord have mercy upon us.**