

Jesus Confirms Our Need to Humbly Admit Our Sinfulness

(Luke 18:9-14)

1. *Jesus Performs Parable* _____

⁹ Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:

- His target*
- The issue: They had _____ (→) themselves*
- They are _____ themselves righteous*
- They are _____ everyone else*

2. *The Parable's* _____

¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

- A _____ Pharisee
- A _____ tax-gatherer ("end-price")
- The place – the _____

3. *The* _____ *Pharisee*

¹¹ "The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men-- extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. ¹² 'I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.'

- His position*
- His praying to _____*
- His prayer*
 - His focus: God (but in name only)
 - His _____ for what he is not being like:
 - Extortioners = "ravenous [ones]"
 - Unjust = "unrighteous [ones]"
 - Adulterers (1 Cor 6:9 – not inherit the kingdom; Heb 13:4 – God will judge)
 - Or even this tax-gatherer
 - He highlights his _____
 - He highlights his _____

Luke 11:42 "But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass by justice and the love of God. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone.

4. *The* _____ *Publican*

¹³ "And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, **be merciful** to me a sinner!'

- His position _____ off*
- His _____ to look to heaven (lit. imp. "he was not desiring to lift his eyes")*
- His _____ action (lit. imp. "he was striking his chest")*
- His request (hilaskomai):*
 - His focus: God (and he meant it)
 - Be _____ (x!)
 - ἰλάσκομαι** – *hilaskomai* – verb – action of forgiving or showing compassion (Luke 18:13 "be merciful"; Heb 2:17 "make propitiation")
 - ἱλαστήριον** – *hilasterion* – noun – focus on the means by which sins are forgiven (Rom 3:25 "propitiation"; Heb 9:5 "mercy seat")
 - ἱλασμός** – *hilasmos* – noun – focus on atoning sacrifice for sin (1 John 2:2 "propitiation"; 4:10 "propitiation")
 - _____ me
 - the _____ one

5. *The* _____

¹⁴ "I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other;

- The tax-gatherer went down _____ righteous (→)*
- The Pharisee remained _____*

6. *The* _____

for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.

- _____ remains if I am prideful – self-righteous – and trusting in myself and what I can do / do not do
- _____ starts with humility, admitting that I am a sinner
- Salvation only comes from what _____ does for us, apart from any effort from us