



Luke 18:9-14
Confessions of a Modern Pharisee

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The parable Jesus tells in Luke 18:9-14 is the context for this discussion.

- 1 → How can reading parables through the lenses of people different from us help us understand them better?
- 2 → Did you identify with the Pharisee or the tax collector this morning? How do you respond to this parable pointing out our likelihood of being the Pharisee?
- 3 → In what ways does Jesus' parable challenge our understanding of justification by faith versus justification by works? (Luke 18:14; Romans 3:28)
- 4 → How does recognizing ourselves as the Pharisee alter our understanding of sin—not just as outward actions but as inward attitudes of the heart?
- 5 → If God justifies the humble rather than the outwardly religious, what does this reveal about the nature of God's kingdom and the kind of people He chooses to exalt?
- 6 → **EXTRA CREDIT:** (Luke 18:14) How does this affect our consideration of who God saves? How does that contrast with, or resemble, everything we've been explicitly taught about who God saves?