

Series: "LONG STORY SHORT"
Part 8: "CLOSER THAN THEY APPEAR"
Crossroads Community Church
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⁹ To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable:
Luke 18:9 (NIV)

¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.
Luke 18:10 (NIV)

¹¹ The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector.
Luke 18:11 (NIV)

Two Responses:

➤ **The Pharisee**

1. **Downplays** _____

¹² I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.'
Luke 18:12 (NIV)

2. **Appeals to** _____

¹³ "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.'

Luke 18:13 (NIV)

➤ **The Tax Collector**

1. **Acknowledges** _____

2. **Appeals to** _____

¹⁴ "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God.
Luke 18:14a (NIV)

¹¹ Under the old covenant, the priest stands and ministers before the altar day after day, offering the same sacrifices again and again, which can never take away sins. ¹² But our High Priest offered himself to God as a single sacrifice for sins, good for all time.

Hebrews 10:11-12a (NLT)

¹⁸ For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

1 Peter 1:18-19 (NIV)

One Question:

What's your response to the _____ that was _____?

For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."
Luke 18:14b (NIV)

Sermon Notes:
