

50+ Ministry

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60+ *Legacies*

Sunday Class

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All Saints Presbyterian Church
Austin, TX

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******Sit UP FRONT & TOGETHER, PLEASE******

King's Parables

Understanding & Applying

All Saints Presbyterian Church

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Fall 2025

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50+60+ Schedule – 2025 – 2026

Songs of Praise

Prayer & Scripture

“King’s Parables”

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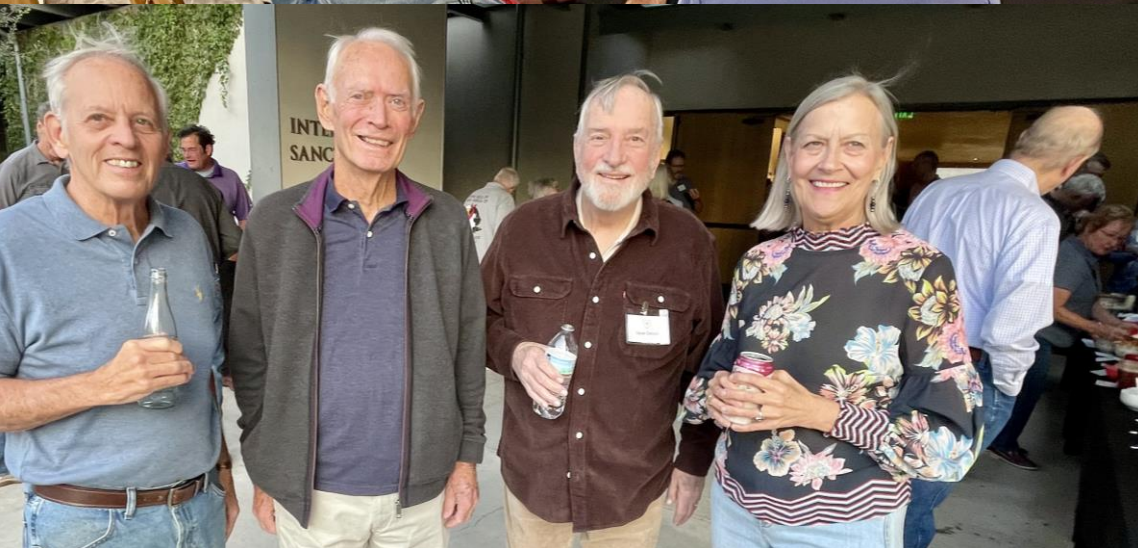
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CHILI COOK-OFF !

2024



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A LOT
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OF
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CHILI
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Cornbread
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Cobbler
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Ice
Cream
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50+ CHILI COOKOFF

NOVEMBER 7, 2025



All Saints Presbyterian
Church
6:00 – 8:00 PM

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March

- Sat, Mar 28 – **Indoor Pickleball Round Robin** – 2-4 PM at Hill Country Sports & Fitness.

April

- Fri, Apr 17 – **Painted Churches Tour** – 8:30 AM-4:30 PM. Caravan from Schulenberg. Tour 2 churches. Lunch (Oakridge Smokehouse). Tour 2 more.

May

- Thu, May 7 – **Texas Capitol & Governor's Mansion** – 9:45 AM to 3 PM. Guided Tours & lunch at The Capitol Grill.

June

- Fri, Jun 5 – **Summer Social** – 6:30-9 PM, at Betsy & Dave Willis' home. BYOD + Appetizer or Dessert to share.

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11/2/25



ORDINARY TIME

Philippians 2:12-13

*... work out your own salvation with fear and trembling,
for it is God who works in you,
both to will and to work for his good pleasure.*

All Saints Sunday

Remembrance of Saints



Ephesians 1:18

*... having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know
what is the hope to which he has called you,
what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints ...*

11/2/25

ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS

Samuel Stennett



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On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

(Refrain)

*I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for promised land,
I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for promised land.*

O'er all those wide extended plains shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away. *(Refrain)*

No chilling winds or poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death are felt and feared no more. *(Refrain)*

When I shall reach that happy place, I'll be forever blest,
For I shall see my Father's face and in his bosom rest. *(Refrain)*

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Psalm 71:5-8

You are my hope, O Lord God; You are my trust from my youth. By You I have been upheld from my birth; You are He who took me out of my mother's womb. My praise shall be continually of You. I have become a wonder to many, but You are my strong refuge. Let my mouth be filled with Your praise and with Your glory all the day.

(ESV)

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- Romans 3:10-12

None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one.

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As a traveler, in his way meeting with a violent storm of thunder and rain, immediately turns out of his way to some house or tree for his shelter; but yet this causeth him not to give over his journey; so soon as the storm is over he returns to his way and progress again. So it is with men in bondage to sin: the law meets with them in a storm of thunder and lightning from heaven, terrifies and hinders them in their way; this turns them for a season out of their course; they will run to prayer or amendment of life, for some shelter from the storm of wrath which is feared coming upon their consciences. But is their course stopped? Are their principles altered? Not at all; so soon as the storm is over . . . they return to their former course, in the service of sin again.

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Never let us reckon that our work in contending against sin, in crucifying, mortifying, and subduing of it, is at an end. The place of its habitation is unsearchable; and when we may think that we have thoroughly won the field, there is still some reserve remaining that we saw not, that we knew not of. Many conquerors have been ruined by their carelessness after a victory; and many have been spiritually wounded after great successes against this enemy. . . . There is no way for us to pursue sin in its unsearchable habitation but by being endless in our pursuit.

Lesson Series

- 5/4–**New Series: *Kingdom Parables***–Mt 6.25-33—Birds & Lilies
- 5/11 – (Mother's Day) – Guest Teacher: Daniel Pope
- 5/18 – Kingdom Parables - Mt 13.24-43—Wheat, Seed & Leaven
- 5/25 – Memorial Day Weekend (No Class)
- 6/1 – Kingdom Parables - Mt 13.24-43-Wheat, Seed & Leaven 2
- 6/8 – Kingdom Parables-Mt 13.44-50-Treasure, Pearl, & Net
- 6/15 – (Craig away) Guest Teacher: Bo White
- 6/22 – Kingdom Parables-Mt 18.23-35-Unforgiving Servant
- 6/29–Kingdom Parables–Mt 20.1-16-Workers in the Vineyard
- 7/6 - 8/10 – Summer Break
- 8/17 – Guest Teacher: Erin Holcomb
- 8/24 – Guest Teacher: Bo White
- 8/31 – Labor Day Weekend (No Class)

Lesson Series

- 9/7 – Kingdom Parables – Lk 14.15-24 – Master Gives a Feast
- 9/14–Kingdom Parables–Lk 14 & Mt 22–Feast vs. Banquet
- 9/21 – Guest Teacher: Bill Laughlin
- 9/28 – Kingdom Parables–Mt 22.1-14–King’s Wedding Banquet

- 10/5 – Kingdom Parables – Mt 25:1-13 – Ten Virgins
- 10/12 – No Class (Columbus Day Weekend)
- 10/19 – Kingdom Parables–Mt 25:14-30–Talents (Man on Journey)
- 10/26 – Kingdom Parables–Mt 25:14-30–Talents 2: Bond-servant

- **11/2 – King’s Parables – Lk 18:9-14-_____.**
- 11/9 – King’s Parables – Matt 11:16-19–Play Wedding & Funeral
- 11/16 – Guest Teacher – Randy Wilt
- 11/23 – King’s Parables – Matt 13:1-23–Sower, Seeds, & Soils

Kingdom Parables

- **Kingdom of God**

= a realm, not like on earth

= wherever God's light and royal will is reigning

= includes the Church, but it's more

- **Parable**

(Greek: *parabole*)

= comparison ~ metaphor ~ picture ~ illustration

= concrete depiction of a cosmic truth

= a story with symbolic, spiritual meaning



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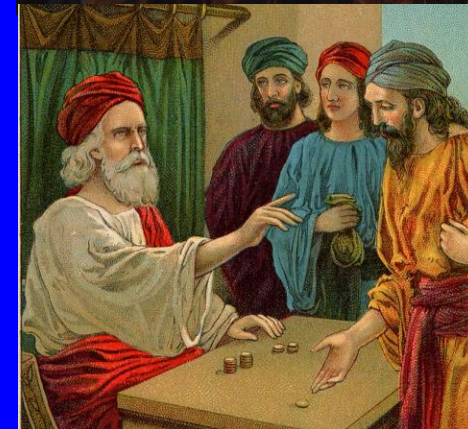


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- 13:24 – ... *a man who sowed good seed* (Weeds & Wheat)
13:31 – ... *a mustard seed* ...
13:33 – ... *leaven* ...
- 13:44 – ... *treasure hidden in a field* ...
13:45 – ... *a merchant seeking fine pearls* ...
13:47 – ... *a net* ...
- 18:23-35 – ...*king settling accounts*
(Unforgiving Servant)



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THE KINGDOM



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 - 20:1-16 –...*a landowner*...(Workers in the Vineyard)
 - Luke 14:16-24 – ... *a master gives a feast* ...
 - Matt 22:1-14 – ...*a king giving a wedding banquet* ...
 - Matt 25:1-13 – ... *ten virgins* ...
 - **Mt 25:14-30–...*a man going on a journey*...(Talents)**

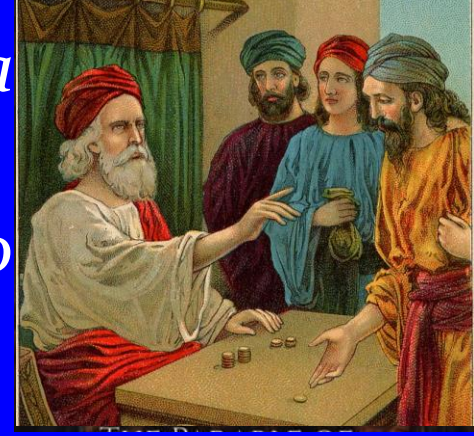
Observations

- 3 Characters
 - Master
 - Good Servants
 - Wicked Servant
- *Talents*
- *Traded*

Questions & Illustrations

- B. Hunt → *Jesus film*
- Ed Clowney → *Tim Keller*
- Edward Kimball ... Wilbur Chapman ... Mordecai Ham ... Albert McMakin → *Billy Graham*
- *Widow* of Mark 12 & Luke 21

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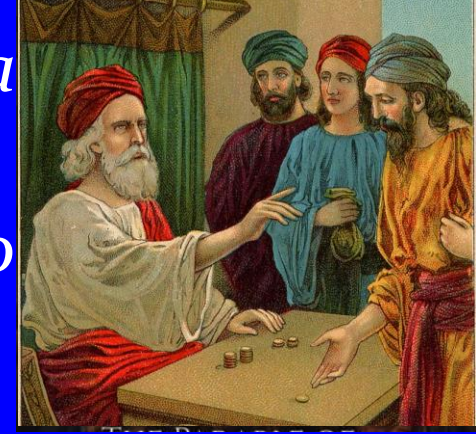
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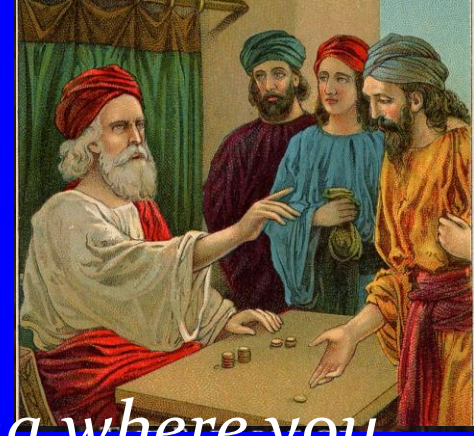
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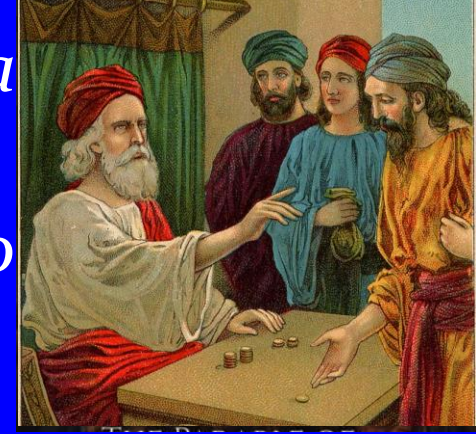
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 - Joshua 14:7.
 - Psalm 89:3.
 - 2 Kings 10:10.

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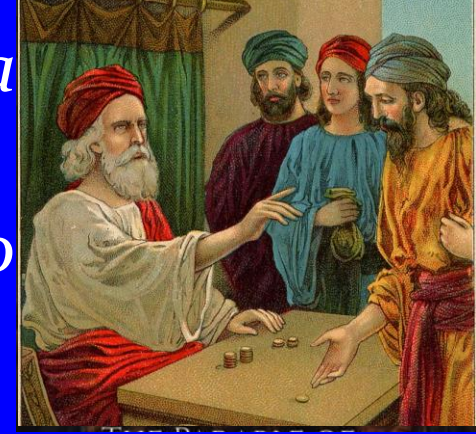
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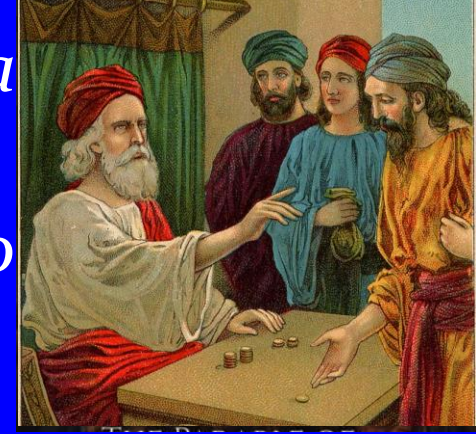
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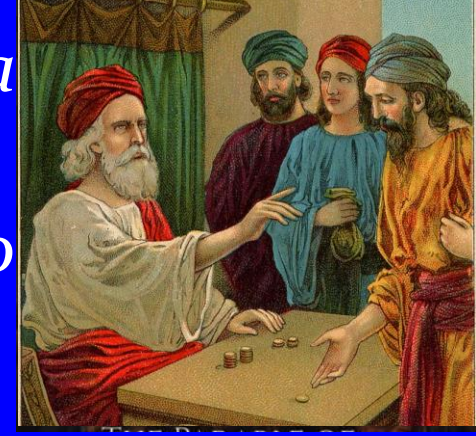
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- Jesus became Servant/Slave to work off our debt ... and offer for us to be Bondservants in the Father's Household

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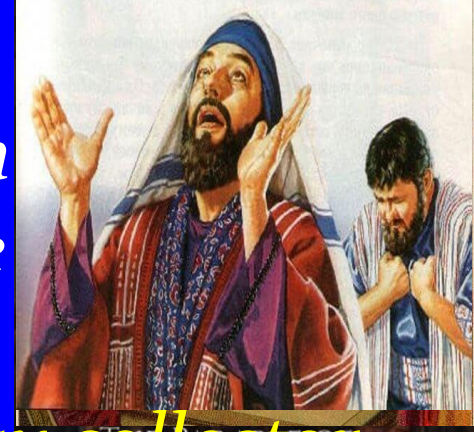
Disdained: Tax Collectors

- Sold Out to the Enemy
→ Worse than the Enemy
- Up & Out like the Down & Out (lame, lepers, beggars)
- *'TC's and Sinners'*

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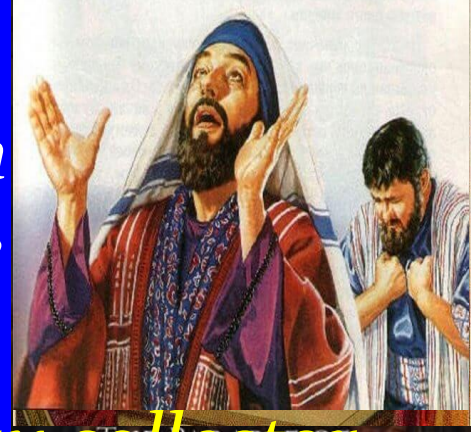
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- **How we treat others reveals who/what we trust in for our righteousness**

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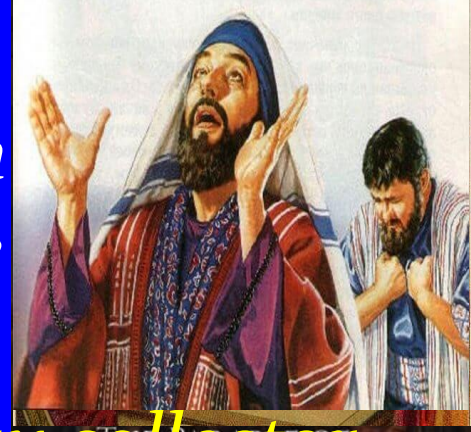


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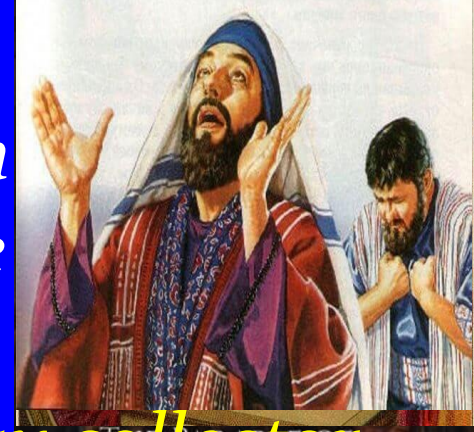


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Pharisee

- **Fasting**
 - 1/year (Day of Atonement) vs. 2x/week
- **Tithe**
 - Certain crops & produce (grain, oil, wine) vs. All
- **Look ...**
 - Sideways & Down (Disdain)

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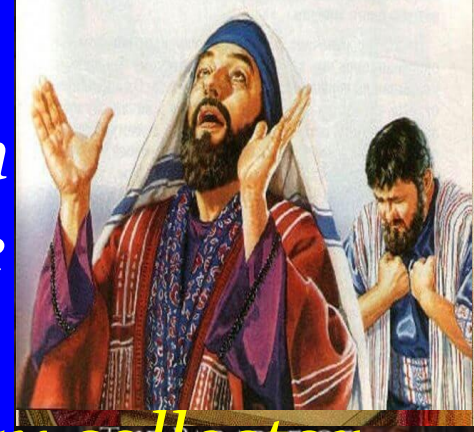
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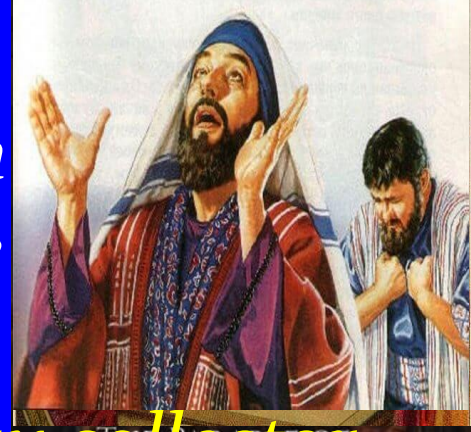
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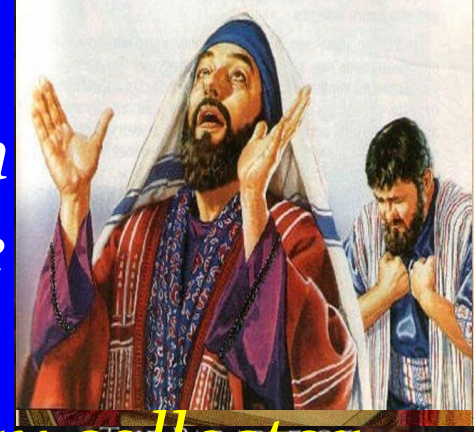
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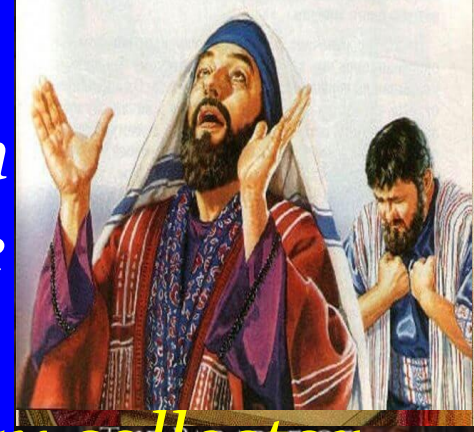
- Distance = unworthy; humility
- Look ...
 - Not up ... Down (on himself)
- Action ... Beating Chest
 - Only for women
 - Sign of Great Weakness
- Prayer ('God, be for me ...')
 - Merciful = propitiation = atoning sacrifice (Psalm 51)
 - ... the sinner

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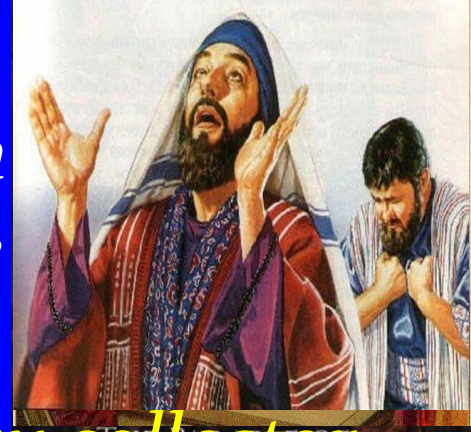
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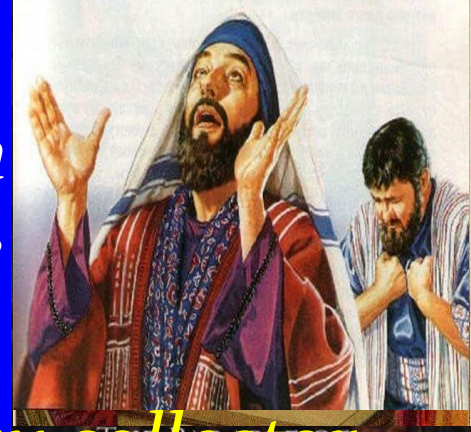
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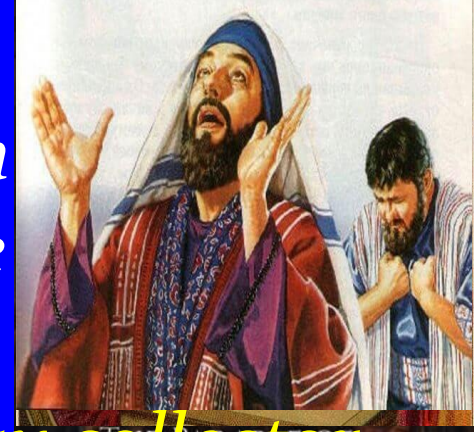
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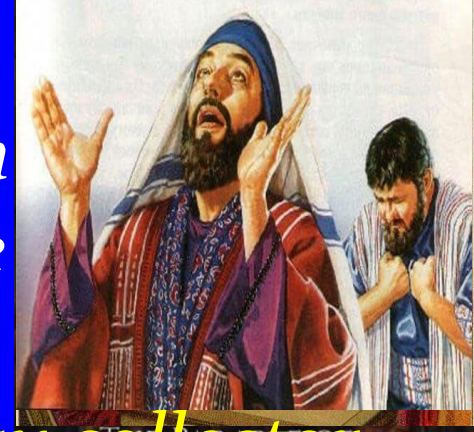
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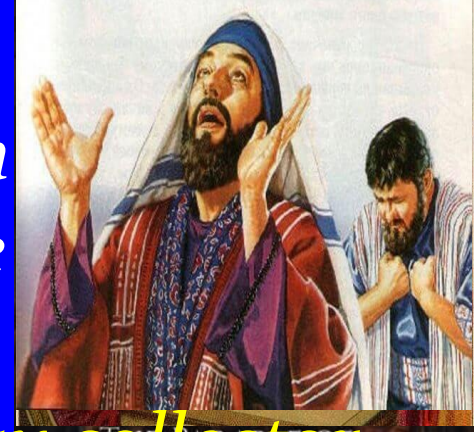
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