Family Devotion

Tell Me A Story:
"The Pharisee & The Tax Collector"



"I Gotta Humble Myself Before The Lord!"



"...For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." - Luke 18:14

Say:

The Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector teaches us more than just about how prayers don't have to be fancy. It also teaches us about how we should look at and treat our fellow Christian brothers and sisters. Even further than that, it teaches us about how we should NEVER think of ourselves more highly than others.

Read:

Luke 18:9-14

Ask/Discuss:

- Who were the two people in today's parable?
- Did God accept the prayer of the Pharisee?
- What kind of attitude did the tax collector have?
- Did God accept the prayer of the tax collector?

Say:

God loves us all the same. It doesn't matter if we have grown up in church and know all the answers to the Bible Trivia questions or if we just became a Christian last night. God loves us all the same, and we must treat each other that way. We must choose to stay humble, or we might end up being humbled.

Ask/Discuss:

- What are some ways we can become "Spiritual Snobs?"
- What can we do to make sure we stay humble?

Pray:

Pray for your children to recognize if they have been acting like "Spiritual Snobs" and have allowed pride to be a part of their lives. Pray that God will help them CHOOSE humility every single day, so that God will be honored—and so will they!