

VOYAGE CHURCH

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Sermon Discussion Questions

Kingdom Parables

Part 5: The Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector

Read Luke 18:9-14

1. Who did Jesus target this parable's teaching towards?
2. What do you think motivated the Pharisee to pray?
3. How would have the Pharisee been perceived when he shared that he fasted twice a week? Why is that important? Why did the Pharisee stand by himself to pray?
4. What was the difference between the Pharisee's response to God in prayer and the Tax Collectors? Why do you think the Tax collector stood at a distance?
5. What does it mean that one man was justified and the other wasn't? What's the principle here?

Application:

6. Is it okay to be better than others? What does this parable teach us about our prayer habits?
7. What specific steps can you take this week to cultivate a spirit of humility?
8. In what area of your life do you want to combat a tendency to exalt yourself instead of Christ?

Prayer: Pray for humility. Pray for continual growth to see the world through gospel colored lenses.