

Guided Study Luke 18:9-14

Title: _____

- 9 And He also told this parable to some people who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and viewed others with contempt:
- 10 "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.
- 11 "The Pharisee stood and was praying this to himself: 'God, I thank You that I am not like other people: swindlers, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.
- 12 'I fast twice a week; I pay tithes of all that I get.'
- 13 "But the tax collector, standing some distance away, was even unwilling to lift up his eyes to heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, the sinner!'
- 14 "I tell you, this man went to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Observation

Mark and Note ...:

- v 9 Who this parable was addressed to.
How they viewed themselves.
How they viewed others.
- v 10 What two men did.
Who was one.
Who was the other.
- v 11 Who the Pharisee was praying to.
What he was thankful for.
Who he was thankful not to be like.
- v 12 Two things the Pharisee did.
- v 13 Who stood some distance away.
What he was unwilling to do.
What he kept doing.
What he asked God to be.
How he viewed himself.
- v 14 What Jesus declared concerning this man.
Who will be humbled.
Who will be exalted.

- Review the Text and mark other key words or phrases you observe.

Interpretation

Answer the following questions in light of: 1. The original author's intended meaning. 2. The context of the passage. 3. The context of the language, culture, geography and historical setting.

v 9 Who might Jesus have been thinking about? _____

What does 'they trusted in themselves' mean? _____

How highly would you say they viewed themselves? _____

How can thinking too highly of yourself be a negative thing? _____

v 10 Explain the significance of the two men mentioned? _____

What does Jesus' willingness to name specific people reveal about Him? _____

vs 11-12 What is significant about who the Pharisee was praying to? _____

What does his prayer reveal about himself? _____

What is the purpose of fasting and how was it being misused by the Pharisee? _____

What is the purpose of tithing and how was it misused by the Pharisee? _____

v 13 What does the tax collector's prayer reveal about himself? _____

What sin was he involved in? _____

v 14 What does it mean that the tax collector was 'justified'? _____

Relate this verse to v 8 in the previous passage. _____

What point is Jesus making in the latter part of this verse? _____

Briefly summarize this passage. _____

Write in a Title for this passage in the space above the text.

What did you learn from this passage about God/Jesus Christ? _____

What did you learn from this passage about yourself? _____

Circle the Key Verse(s) in this passage.

Memorize and/or Meditate on them.

Principles & Truths

List the Principles and Truths taught in this passage.

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Applications:

Apply the Principles and Truths to your life.

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