

**Luke 18:9-14** (NIV)

9 To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: 10 "Two

men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

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. 12 I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' 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.' 14 "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

The following questions are for personal and or group reflection.

- 1. Observation for reflection- What word or phrase is the Spirit prompting in my heart? What word or phrase says, "I am for you today"?
- 2. Interpretation- What does the word or phrase mean that the Spirit is giving me?
- 3. Application- What is the word or phrase calling me to be or to do?