



## Lesson 1: The Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector

### Group Discussion Questions

*Scripture: Luke 18:9-14*

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Round 1

- Why do you think people love stories so much?
- What was your very favorite story when you were a little kid?
- What's your favorite recent movie or book?

Round 2

- As a group, read the parable of the Pharisee and tax collector together. It can be found in Luke 18:9-14.

Round 3

- How does it make you feel to realize that God's not impressed with all of the good works that we do?

Round 4

- Read the following verses together: Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 3:23, and John 3:16.
- What is the most common theme between this week's parable and these verses?

#### Final Thought

Don't be that guy... be this guy. Don't be like the Pharisee, who was self-centered. Don't be prideful or selfish. Be more like the tax collector, who realized he didn't have it all together. That's the upside-down truth from today's lesson. This week, focus on your need for God in every area of your life and in everything you do.