



**ATTITUDE - COUNTS**

**LUKE 18: 10-14**

- <sup>10</sup> “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.
- <sup>11</sup> 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.
- <sup>12</sup> I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.’
- <sup>13</sup> “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.’
- <sup>14</sup> “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.”

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Bless me father for I have sinned...

**OUTCOME** *little or no real repentance, no remorse, ... forgiveness?*

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**SUPERIORITY**

**ATTITUDE...OF**

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***SUPERIORITY*** ... “I’m better than you” ...

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**RELIGIOUS- SUPERIORITY**

*...God I thank you that I am not like...*

*No awareness of personal sins ...*

*...no humility ...*

**Instead...**an arrogant judgemental spirit..

*...completely self- deceived...*

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## HUMBILITY

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HUMILITY

...awareness of personal sins and failures...

...humble in attitude and in action

...honest and remorseful .



# APPLICATION...

What do I do with this parable?

Who Am I ?

Pharisee or tax collector?

“Holier-Than-Thou”

...Humble and remorseful ?

Which is more important to me ?

Feeling good about myself?

Been right.. with God?

