

WHAT WOULD JESUS UNDO?

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Spiritual Pride

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.'

Luke 18:9-12 (NASB)

Spiritual pride falsely promises:

- Self-_____
- Self-_____
- Self-_____

The result of spiritual pride:

- When we are full of _____, there is no room for _____.

Jesus Shows Us a Different Way

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."

Luke 18:13-14 (NASB)

1. When we _____ ourselves, we are in the perfect position to be _____ by God's grace.
2. When we _____ ourselves, we are in the perfect position to be _____ by God.

Pride is about ____ glory

Humility is about _____ glory!

¹⁶ In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

Matthew 5:16 (NLT2)

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Reread and meditate on Luke 18:9-14. Who are you in this story of Jesus?
- Ask God to peel back pride in my life as I ask, "Is this about my glory or His glory?"
- Make a simple list of everything great in my life. Then write next to each item how God made it possible.
- Ask God to forgive me of my sin, including my pride, and invite Him into my life committing to follow him.