

Luke 18:9-14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:

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

The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus,

“God, I thank you that I am not like other people:
thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector.

I fast twice a week;

I give a tenth of all my income.”

But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven,

but was beating his breast and saying,

“God, be merciful to me, a sinner!”

I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other.

For all who exalt themselves will be humbled,

but all who humble themselves will be exalted.’