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Prayer **DOESN'T** Always Change Things

Luke 18:9-14

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. ¹²I 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.”

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1. The Pharisee’s problem was not hypocrisy.

2. The Pharisee’s problem was not immodesty.

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3. The Pharisee’s problem was he forgot where he stood.