

### **WHAT WOULD JESUS UNDO – PART 4: PRIDE** **SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2020**

*Though many of us treat it as if it is, life is not a competition – and when we live in a constant state of completion, pride is not far behind. Jesus was not a fan of pride and focused on something far more important than our accomplishments – right relationship with God and humble hearts. Jesus would undo pride.*

Read Luke 18:9-14

- What type of people was Jesus addressing to make a point?
- How would you describe the ways in which people can look good on the outside but be out of focus on the inside?
- Why might a tax collector be despised in the first century? What might be a modern day equivalent to the first century tax collector?
- What are some of the pitfalls of comparing ourselves with others? In what ways does that lead to pride? In what ways does that lead to insecurity?
- How would you describe false humility (reverse pride)? What are some ways false humility carries the same pitfalls as pride?
- Why would Jesus say the tax collector went away accepted/justified before God while the Pharisee did not?
- What do you think it means that those who exalt themselves will be humbled?
- What do you think it means that those who humble themselves will be exalted?
- How do you navigate the tension that the exalted/humbled thing doesn't usually work out in the time and ways we would prefer?
- Do you agree that pride always catches up with us one way or another? Why or why not?
- How does pride fill us so full of ourselves that there is no room for other or God?
- What is one next step you can to empty yourself to make room for God?

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