Passage: Luke 18:9-14
Sunday: February 9, 2025

Luke 18: 9-14 (ESV)

9 He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated
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, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like
other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. **12** I fast twice a week; I give
tithes of all that I get.' **13** But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to
heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' **14** I tell you, this man went down
to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the
one who humbles himself will be exalted."

1. Describe a time when you compared your spiritual walk with another person's spiritual walk.

2. What mindset does the pharisee reflect? What mindset does the tax collector in this parable reflect? Compare and contrast their attitudes towards God.

3. How should we approach God?

4. How can we pray humbly? Why is this type of humility exalted by God?

5. Where are you tempted to believe that your acceptance by God is based on what I do or don't do?

6. To '*Be One',* what does it look like to lay down your pride? How does this action '*Make One"?*

7. What does this passage teach you about our theme of the year, "Be One. Make One."?