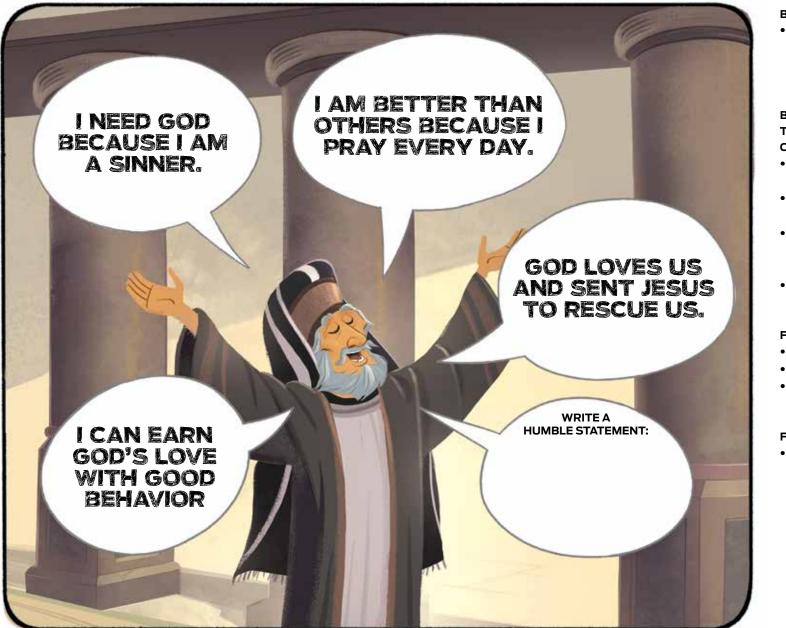
Humble Hearts

INSTRUCTIONS: Cross out prideful statements and circle statements that show humility. Then write your own humble statement.





KEY PASSAGE: Mark 6:34

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

• Why did Jesus tell parables? Jesus told parables to teach people about God and His kingdom.

BIBLE STORY:

THE PHARISEE AND THE TAX COLLECTOR

- Jesus told a parable to teach about humility.
- The Pharisee prayed in a way that tried to glorify himself.
- The tax collector knew he needed God to save him from sin.
- God rejects the proud but gives grace to the humble.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- When do you feel too prideful?
- When do you feel humble?
- Why do you think God wants us to be humble?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

• Check out a book of optical illusions from your local library. Go through it with your kids and talk about how looking holy is not always the same as being holy. Explain what it means to be humble.

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1st - 5th Grade Small Group Lesson

Session Title: The Pharisee and the Tax Collector **Bible Passage**: Luke 18:9-14

Main Point: God rejects the proud but gives grace to the humble. **Key Passage:** Mark 6:34

Big Picture Question: Why did Jesus tell parables? Jesus told parables to teach people about God and His kingdom.

Christ Connection: The tax collector knew he needed God to

forgive him, and he cried out to God. Everyone is a sinner who needs forgiveness. Jesus took the punishment for our sin by dying on the cross. We can cry out to God like the tax collector and because of Jesus, God will forgive us.

Charades

Materials: Cup, scissors, and Profession cards Cut the profession cards out and put them in the cup. Instruct everyone to take turns pulling a card from the cup and acting out the profession. They may make gestures but may not speak.

Charades is a game in which you pretend to be something or someone you're not. In our Bible story, the Pharisee acted like he was righteous. He was prideful, thinking he was better than he actually was.

The Bible says that God rejects the proud but gives grace to the humble. The tax collector was humble. He recognized who he really was—a sinner who needed God's mercy.



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