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(9) And He spoke this parable to certain ones who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:

(10) Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a tax collector.^c

(11) The Pharisee stood and prayed in this manner with himself, God, I thank You, that I am not as other men *are*, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector.

(12) I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

(13) But the tax collector, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes to heaven, but beat upon 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: because everyone who exalts himself shall be abased; and he who humbles himself shall be exalted.

(15) And they brought to Him also infants, that He would touch them: but when *His* disciples saw *it*, they rebuked them.

(16) But Jesus called them *to Himself*, and said, Allow little children to come to Me, and do not forbid them: because of such is the kingdom of God.^d

(17) Truly I say to you, Whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall not enter in.

(18) And a certain ruler asked Him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?^e

(19) And Jesus said to him, Why do you call Me good? No one is good, except One, Who is, God.

(20) You know the commandments,^f Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and your mother.

(21) And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up.

(22) Now when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, You lack yet one thing: sell all that you have, and distribute to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven: and come, follow Me.

(23) And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: because he was very rich.

(24) And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, He said, How hard it is for those who have riches to enter into the kingdom of God!^g

(25) Because it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

(26) And those who heard *it* said, Who then can be saved?

(27) And He said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.

(28) Then Peter said, Look, we have left all, and followed You,

(29) And He said to them, Truly I say to you, There is no man who has left house, or parents, or brothers, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake,

18:10c – parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector – see [Appendix B: Recorded Parables of Jesus](#)

18:16d – Mat. 19:13; Mark 10:13

18:18e – Mat. 19:16; Mark 10:17

18:20f – Ex. 20:3f; Mat. 19:17f; Mark 10:19f

18:24g – Mat. 19:23; Mk. 10:23