

**WITNESS – Reaching out to others**  
*(Aim for 20 – 30 minutes)*

**Practising praying with people.**

In 2's, each person in turn share

“What’s been the worst thing that has happened this week?”

Ask “Is it OK for me to put a hand on your shoulder?”

Then reach out a hand put it on your neighbour’s shoulder and pray for them.

# LUKE'S PARABLES

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## **The Pharisee & Tax Collector** **Luke 18.9-14**

**WELCOME – Breaking the ice**  
*(Aim for 10 minutes)*

What has been the best thing that has happened this week?

OR

When have you felt closest to God this week?

**WORSHIP – Meeting the Lord**  
*(Aim for 10 – 15 minutes)*

Each person in turn, say “Thank you” to God for the best thing that has happened OR when God has felt closest this week.

**WORD – Applying the truth**  
***(Aim for 40 – 45 minutes)***

1 Read Luke 18.9-14

2 In verses 9 to 14 both men address God but how do their prayers reveal different concepts of God and their relation to Him?

3 What does it mean to be righteous?

4a What was wrong with the Pharisees attitude?

4b What was the Pharisee's attitude to others?

4c What did the Pharisee do that was right?

5a What was correct about the Tax collectors attitude?

5b What do we think that the Tax Collector's attitude to everyone else would be?

6 What does it mean to be a sinner?

7 What does it mean to be humble before God?

8 What do our prayers reveal about who God is and how we relate to him?