

From the Pastor



Somewhere, deep within mankind's DNA, is this innate desire to somehow be good enough on our own to merit Heaven. We want to earn our way there, we want to be good enough.

Growing up, if we were good, we were rewarded but if we were bad, we suffered the consequences. Something in us wants God to slap or punish us. So when He comes along with kindness, compassion and tender mercies desiring to embrace us in our worst moments—this is tremendously humbling.

The Pharisee in today's parable knew he had sinned somewhere along the way. He believed in the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. He believed in the sacrificial system which provided atonement for sin. He believed in God's forgiveness. But he also falsely believed that God would forgive him...BECAUSE HE EARNED IT!

On the other hand, this tax collector felt unworthy to even look up because he knew he was a wretched sinner. He stood as far away from the Holy Place as possible. He was in great agony over his sinful ways, and with just a few words he expressed to God that he knew he couldn't earn God's favor and begged for mercy.

The stunned audience listening to Jesus hears Him say the unthinkable: the self-confessed wicked man leaves the Temple grounds justified, while the righteous man does not. This is outrageous teaching in 1st Century Jerusalem, even shameful!

In this simple yet profound story, Jesus answers the lifelong question that has been asked from the beginning: how can a man be justified before God? We can try to be good enough to earn our way to Heaven OR we can rely on the only sacrifice capable of appeasing the wrath of Almighty God against our sin—the shed blood of God's Only Son, the Spotless Lamb, JESUS!

Pastor Jimmy, we still love and miss you,

Randy & Pam

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SUNDAY MORNINGS

- 9am** Connect Point (various campus locations)
Insights Prayer Sanctuary
- 10am** Worship Service Sanctuary
Children's Service Kid Zone (C106-107)
Youth Service Youth Room (after worship)

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

- 4:30pm** Grief Support Group Prayer Room (R104) (April 3)
- 6:30pm** Youth Service Youth Room (C208-209)
- 6:30pm** Children's Service Kid Zone (C106-107)
- 6:30pm** Relentless Young Adults Conference Room
- 6:30pm** 2:42 CLUB (fellowship, Bible study and prayer)
- ◆ **Central** - (702) 734-2223 TLC - C111-C112
- ◆ **Southeast**—(Kenny & Lynora Bayless) (702) 459-3589
2641 Pershing Circle, Henderson, NV 89074
- ◆ **Southwest**—(Lyle & Floretta Yenglin) (702) 326-4799
7582 Coyote Cave Ave, Las Vegas, NV 8917
- ◆ **Online** - join us at 7pm! <https://zoom.us/j/4912000483>

THURSDAY

- 10am** Mountain Movers Sanctuary

2nd FRIDAY

- 10:30am** Senior Fellowship Fellowship Hall

4th SATURDAY

- 10:30am** Prayer & Fasting Online Via Zoom
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6083655320>

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“THAT WHICH CANNOT BE EARNED”

LUKE 18:9-14



