

On Being Humble

Open with prayer to God for wisdom.

Have you heard someone say, usually as a joke, "You can't find a person more humble than I am." Taken seriously, the statement contradicts itself, because the person is filled with pride about his or her humility. The statement also reveals a self-centeredness, which is a characteristic of a prideful person. In the reading for today, the Pharisee was filled with pride, the tax collector is a picture of humility. Read the text and respond to the thought questions.

Read Luke 18:9-14.

Questions to prayerfully consider or discuss: How would you describe the pride of the Pharisee? The humility of the Tax Collector? How may we guard against pride.

Close with prayer in thanks to God.