

TODAY'S MESSAGE

WHO IS THE SON OF GOD? ...

Part 2: The Sinner's Friend

Luke 18:9-14

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“This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.” —Luke 15:2

“Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.” —Luke 7:34b

Jesus teaches us to:

1. Resist C_____.

“We do not dare to classify or compare ourselves with [others]. When they measure themselves by themselves and compare themselves with themselves, they are not wise.” —2 Corinthians 10:12

2. Renounce your own R_____.

“Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.” —Psalm 136:1

“If we confess our sins, [God] is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” —1 John 1:9

“Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.” —Romans 3:20

3. Rely on G_____.

“When God our Savior revealed his kindness and love, he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit.” —Titus 3:4-5, NLT

For Reflection / Action: Am I tempted to compare myself to others? Do I usually see myself as better or worse than them? Why would I use another person as my standard? How righteous am I compared to God? Can I ever be good enough to earn God's favor? How is one saved?

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