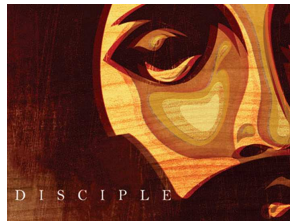


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THE WRONG & RIGHT SIDE OF GOD

“Two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee, and the other was a despised tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed this prayer: ‘I thank you, God, that I am not a sinner like everyone else. For I don’t cheat, I don’t sin, and I don’t commit adultery. I’m certainly not like that tax collector! I fast twice a week, and I give you a tenth of my income.’”
Luke 18:10-12 (NLT)

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“But the tax collector stood at a distance and dared not even lift his eyes to heaven as he prayed. Instead, he beat his chest in sorrow, saying, ‘O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner.’”
Luke 18:13 (NLT)

“I tell you, this sinner, not the Pharisee, returned home justified before God. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”
(NLT) Luke 18:14

But now God has shown us a way to be made right with him without keeping the requirements of the law, as was promised in the writings of Moses and the prophets long ago.
3:21 (NLT) Romans

We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.
Romans 3:22 (NLT)

For everyone has sinned. Romans 3:23a (NLT)

We all fall short of God’s glorious standard. Romans 3:23b (NLT)

Yet God, with undeserved kindness, declares [freely] that we are righteous. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins.
Romans 3:24 (NLT)

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 6:23 (NLT)

For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood....
Romans 3:25 (NLT)