

The Pharisee and the Prostitute at the Lord's Table (Matt 21:28–32; Isaiah 1:11–20)  
GCC, Morning Worship, 8/4/19

Introduction:

- A. Ritual and Reason at the Lord's Table
  
- I. Why Jesus Gave This Parable
  - A. To contrast superficial and genuine worship
  - B. Pomp and Circumstance Vs. The Heart of Worship
  
- II. How to Come to the Lord's Table like a Pharisee
  - A. The Second Son is the Pharisee who does not do the will of his Father
  - B. You Might be a Pharisee at the Lord's Table if you:
    - 1. Minimize your sin and take the elements anyway
    - 2. Think mere words, without a heart broken over sin, will obtain the grace and forgiveness of God (Isa 29:13)
    - 3. Refuse to Take the Elements Until you are Perfect
  
- III. How to Come to the Lord's Table like a Prostitute Changed by the Grace of God
  - A. The First Son is the one who did the will of his Father
  - B. You might be like a prostitute changed by the grace of God at the Lord's Table if you:
    - 1. Come Honestly (Matt 21:29; Gal 6:7, 8)
    - 2. Come Believing (Matt 21:32a)
    - 3. Come Remorseful over Your Sin (Matt 21:32b)
    - 4. Come Expecting to Be Changed (Matt 21:32b)