

## Insights from Luke

#70: “The Prayers of Two Men – What a Contrast!”

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“Sinners cannot be saved by what sinners do; sinners can be saved only by what God has done in Jesus Christ,” – Ryken,

**Our own merits are never  
enough when laid before  
God’s judgment seat.**

**The longer we live in Christ,  
the more we should  
experience the simplicity of  
our walk with God.**

**Humility in spirit  
is the true reflection  
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**Lowliness confirms why  
there is no cause for pride.**