

# The Publican and the Pharisee

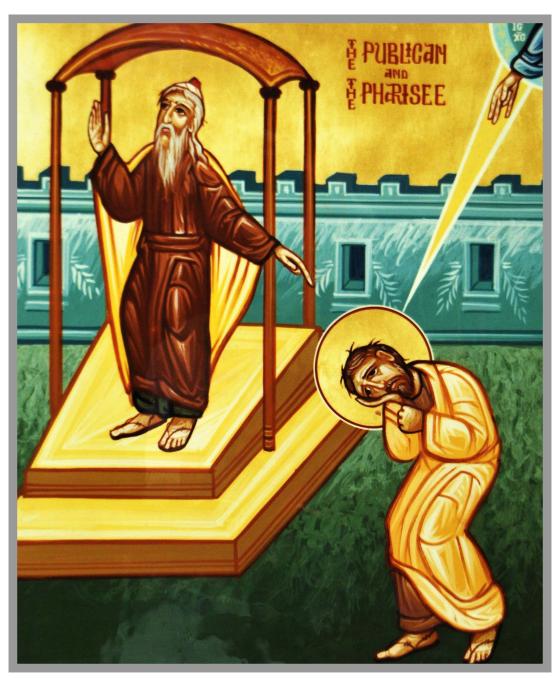
Activities for teaching young Orthodox Christian children about the Parable



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## THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE



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Draw an oval shape around the Pharisee. Draw a rectangle around the Publican.



## THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE



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Write each phrase in the appropriate rectangle:

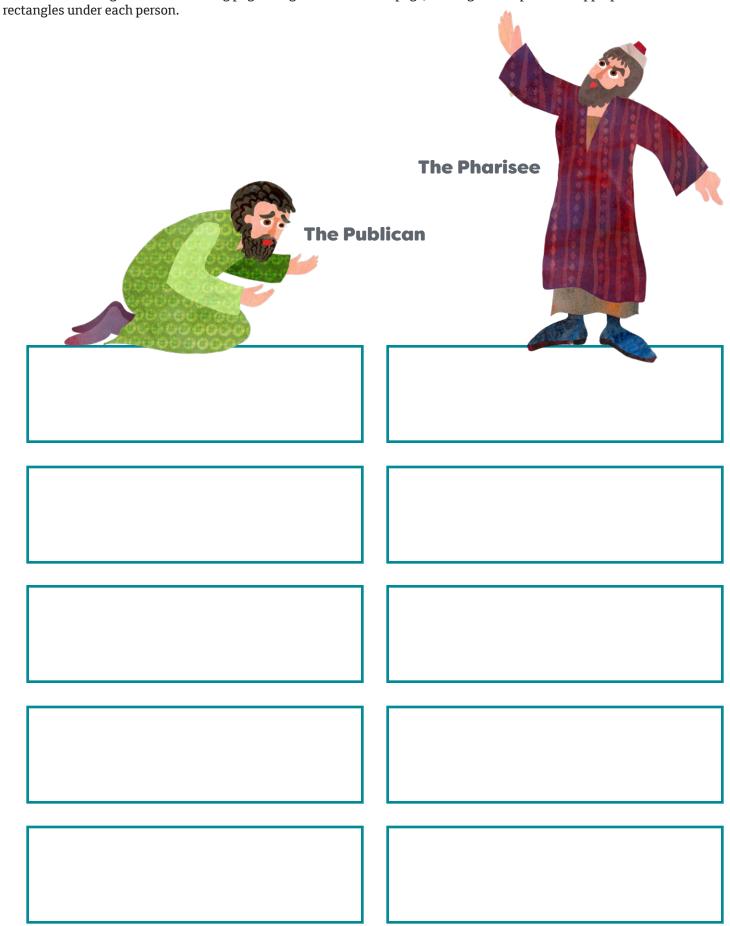
The PUBLICAN was HUMBLE.

The PHARISEE was PROUD.

## MATCH THE PHRASE TO THE PERSON

Cut out the rectangles in the following page and glue them on this page, making sure to place the appropriate rectangles under each person.





# MATCH THE PHRASE TO THE PERSON



He said: God be merciful to me a sinner	He said: I give money to the temple
He would not lift his eyes to heaven	God listened to this man
He beat his own chest	God did not listen to this man
He said: Thank you that I am not like this man	He was PROUD
He said: I fast twice a week	He was HUMBLE

#### **CUT & GLUE CRAFT / PAPER PUPPETS**





Print and cut out the images in this and the following page. Glue them on a piece of colored poster board to make a scene inspired by the icon of the Parable of the Publican and the Pharisee.

#### STORYTELLING WITH THE PUPPETS

You can also use the figures to make paper puppets for acting out the scene. To do this, laminate them or print them on sturdy paper and tape them on popsicle sticks or drinking straws. You can also glue self-adhesive magnet pieces on the back of the images, and use them to tell the story using a magnetic board.



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#### **HUMBLENESS GRID**



This is an activity to help practice humbleness in real life. Write your own ideas of humble acts in the blank boxes. During the following days, cross off each humble act as you perform it. Try to cross off the whole grid!

Let others go before you in line Ask for help with something you can't do well

Wait patiently for your turn

Apologize for something you did wrong

Make sure
your friend
gets to play
with the toy
you want the
most

Do something nice for someone and don't say it was you Don't get
upset when
someone
corrects your
work

Play the game your friend wants even if you don't like it

When you lose at a game be nice and happy for the winner

When offered a treat, let others take the best one

Don't get upset if you get something wrong

Let your friend choose what you will play together



#### **HUMBLENESS CARDS**

This is an activity to help practice humbleness in real life. Print out this and the following two pages.

Write your own ideas of humble acts on the blank cards. Print on card stock or laminate when you are done filling in the cards. Cut out the cards.

#### Make a card box to use during the Triodion period

Decoupage the cover on an *Altoids* metal box, and place the cards inside the box. During the Triodion period, the child tries to perform all of the humble acts that are written on the cards.

#### **Triodion group activity**

A fun group activity could be to place all the cards inside an opaque bag and have each child pick a card without looking. Post the card and the child's name at an obvious place in the room. Each child tries to perform his/her task during the week. Once the task is performed, the cards can be returned to the bag, and the children get to pick a new card. It's OK if they pick a card they already had. The activity can go on for the whole period of the Triodion.





















Let your friend play with the toy you want the most





choose what you will play together





Ask for help with something you can't do well





Don't get upset when someone corrects your work





Apologize for something you did wrong

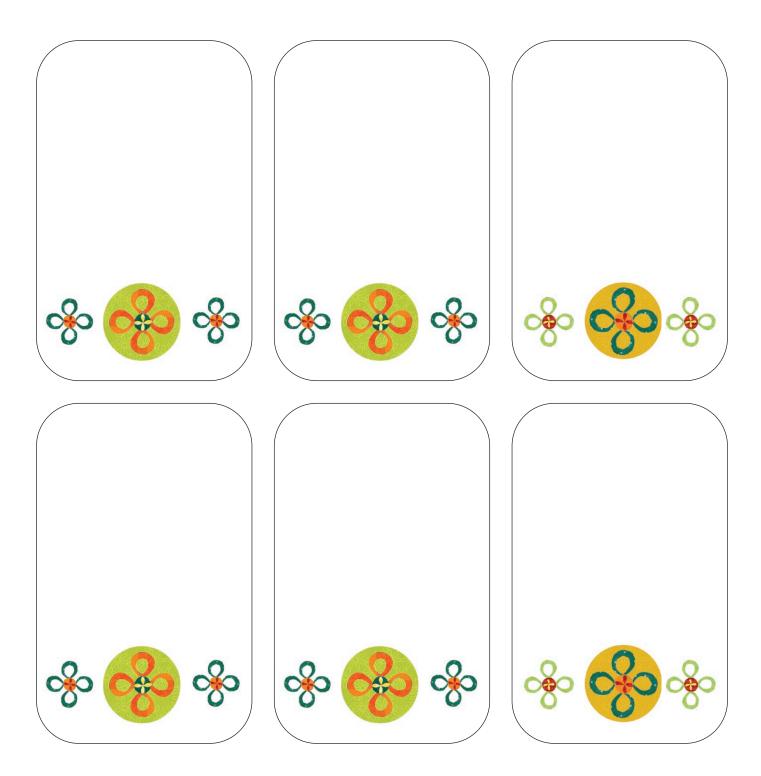




Do something nice for someone and don't say it was you









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