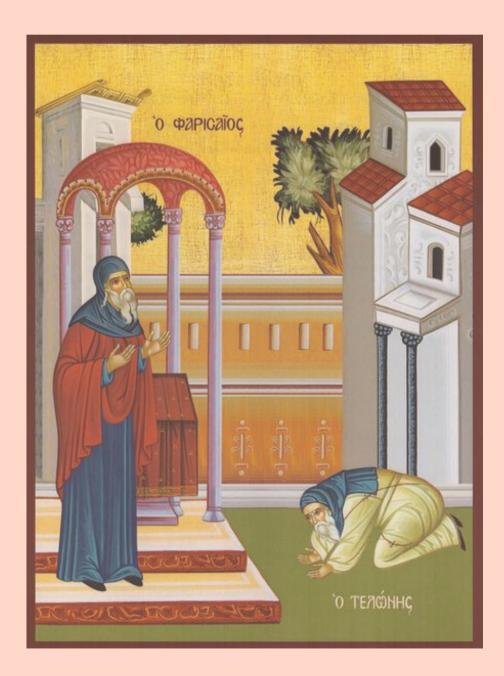
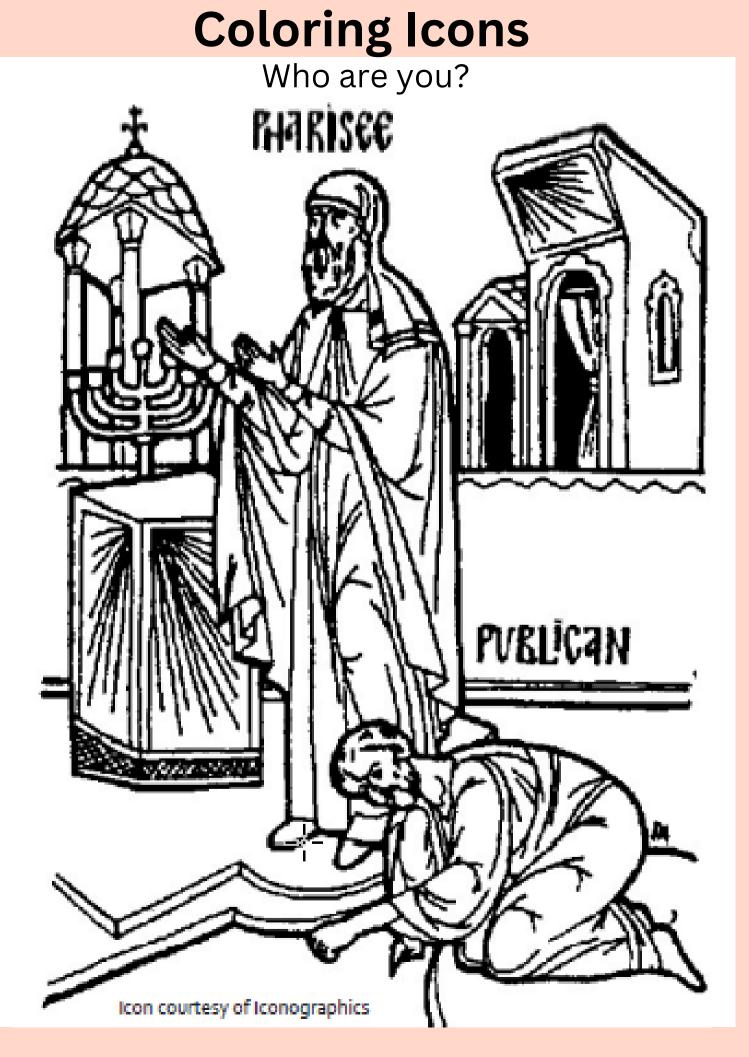
Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee

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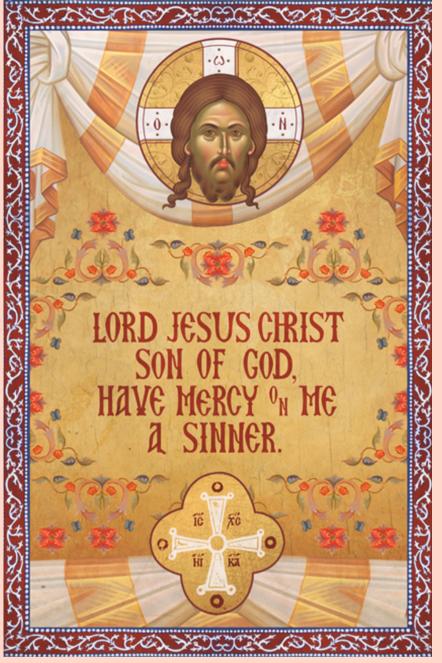
2 Timothy 3:10-15

PAUL'S CHARGE TO TIMOTHY

10 NOW YOU HAVE OBSERVED MY TEACHING, MY CONDUCT, MY AIM IN LIFE, MY FAITH, MY PATIENCE, MY LOVE, MY STEADFASTNESS, 11 MY PERSECUTIONS, AND MY SUFFERING THE THINGS THAT HAPPENED TO ME IN ANTIOCH, ICONIUM, AND LYSTRA. WHAT PERSECUTIONS I ENDURED! YET THE LORD RESCUED ME FROM ALL OF THEM. 12 INDEED, ALL WHO WANT TO LIVE A GODLY LIFE IN CHRIST JESUS WILL BE PERSECUTED. 13 BUT WICKED PEOPLE AND IMPOSTORS WILL GO FROM BAD TO WORSE, DECEIVING OTHERS AND BEING DECEIVED. 14 BUT AS FOR YOU, CONTINUE IN WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED AND FIRMLY BELIEVED, KNOWING FROM WHOM YOU LEARNED IT, 15 AND HOW FROM CHILDHOOD YOU HAVE KNOWN THE SACRED WRITINGS THAT ARE ABLE TO INSTRUCT YOU FOR SALVATION THROUGH FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS.

Luke 18: 10-14

10 "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week; I



give a tenth of all my income.' 13 But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' 14 I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

What do you hear God saying?

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O Gospel: Luke 18: 10-14

Two men are praying in today's Gospel. One of them, the tax collector, teaches us a prayer we use all the time. Solve the puzzle to learn each word of the prayer and then memorize it!

- Rhymes with 'rod' and means the Creator of the Universe: ______
- Rhymes with 'me' and is a verb: _____
- Rhymes with 'Hershey' and ends with the opposite of 'empty': ______
- Half of four is: ______
- Rhymes with 'be' and means 'myself': _____
- First letter of the alphabet: _____
- Rhymes with 'winner' and means a person who has broken their relationship with God: _____

The Pharisee & The Tax Collector

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted. Luke 18:14b (NIV) The puzzle is based on Luke 18:9-14 (NIV).



Prayer before Communion

O LORD, I BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT YOU ARE TRULY CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD, WHO CAME INTO THE WORLD TO SAVE SINNERS OF WHOM I AM THE FIRST.

ACCEPT ME TODAY AS A PARTAKER OF YOUR MYSTICAL SUPPER, O SON OF GOD, FOR I WILL NOT REVEAL YOUR MYSTERY TO YOUR ENEMIES, NOR WILL I GIVE YOU A KISS AS DID JUDAS, BUT LIKE THE THIEF I PROFESS YOU: REMEMBER ME, O LORD, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O MASTER, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

REMEMBER ME, O HOLY ONE, WHEN YOU COME IN YOUR KINGDOM.

MAY THE PARTAKING OF YOUR HOLY MYSTERIES, O LORD, BE NOT FOR MY JUDGMENT OR CONDEMNATION BUT FOR THE HEALING OF SOUL AND BODY.

O LORD, I ALSO BELIEVE AND PROFESS THAT THIS, WHICH I AM ABOUT TO RECEIVE, IS TRULY YOUR MOST PRECIOUS BODY AND YOUR LIFE-GIVING BLOOD, WHICH, I PRAY, MAKE ME WORTHY TO RECEIVE FOR THE REMISSION OF ALL MY SINS AND FOR LIFE EVERLASTING. AMEN. O GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME, A SINNER. O GOD, CLEANSE ME OF MY SINS AND HAVE MERCY ON ME. O LORD, FORGIVE ME FOR I HAVE SINNED WITHOUT NUMBER.

Prayer for Vocations

O GOD, GREAT IN MIGHT AND INSCRUTABLE IN WISDOM, MARVELOUS IN COUNSEL ABOVE THE SONS OF MEN, FATHER OF ALL PERFECT GIFTS: YOU THE SAME LORD, ENLIGHTEN WITH YOUR HOLY SPIRIT THE HEARTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND CALL THEM TO FOLLOW YOUR ONLY BEGOTTEN SON AND OUR SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST, THE GOOD SHEPHERD! GIVE THEM THE COURAGE AND GENEROSITY NECESSARY TO

OVERCOME ALL OBSTACLES TO THEIR

VOCATION, FOR YOU COMPLETE WHAT IS LACKING! GIVE TO THE PARENTS THAT FATIH, LOVE AND SPIRIT OF SACRIFICE WHICH WILL INSPIRE THEM TO OFFER THEIR CHILDREN TO YOUR SERVICE AND REJOICE WHENEVER ONE

OF THEIR CHILDREN IS CALLED TO FOLLOW CHRIST IN A SPECIAL WAY OF PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS CONSECRATION. WE IMPLORE YOU THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF THE MOST PURE THEOTOKOS AND EVER VIRGIN MARY! AMEN!