

Bible Stories for Young Children

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THE PHARISEE AND THE TAX COLLECTOR

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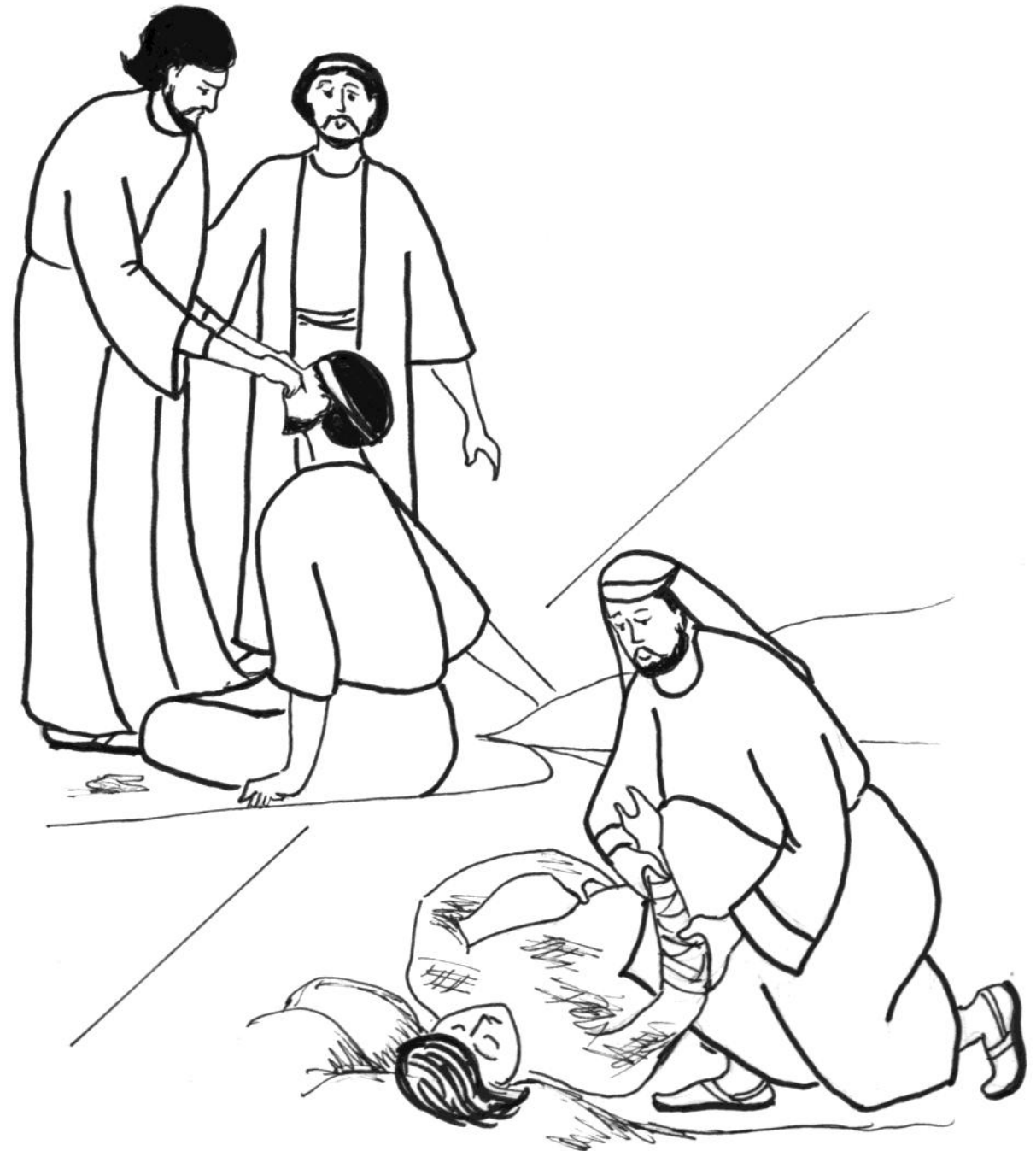
LUKE 18:9-14
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**On His way to Jerusalem
Jesus stopped
and talked to people.
Do you remember
some of the stories He told
and the people He healed?**

(You could talk about some of the previous lessons)

The man born blind (Story 134)

The good Samaritan (Story 132)



The lost sheep & coin (Story 136)

The lost Son (Story 137)



**This is another story Jesus told:
It was again about His Father
and His Father's kingdom:**

**A Pharisee and a tax collector
went to the temple to pray.**

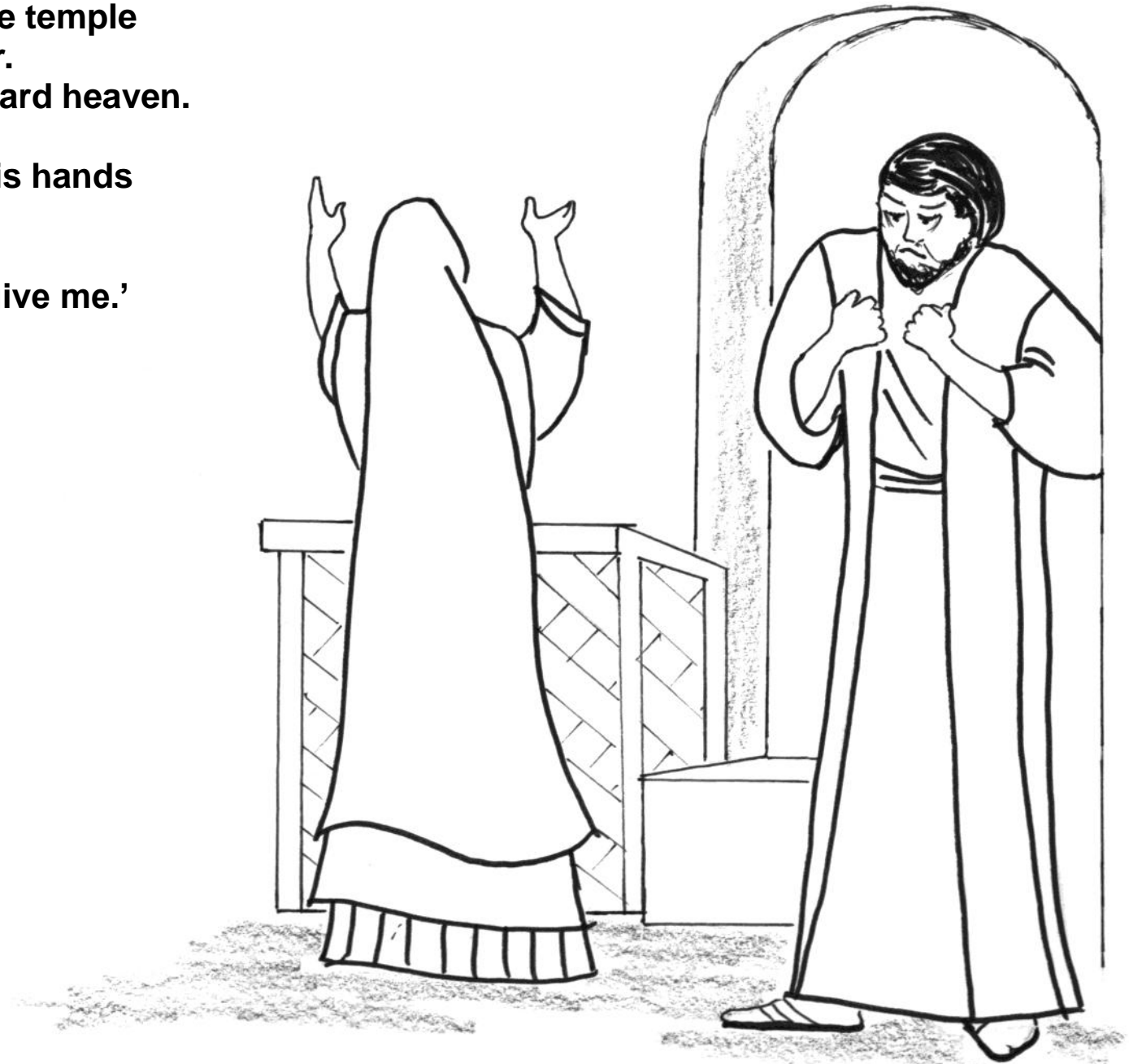
**The Pharisee stood up and prayed,
'God, I thank You
that I am not like other men.
I don't steal,
or do wrong things.
I am not bad like this tax collector.
I go without food twice a week,
and I give You
a tenth of the money I earn.'**

**He did not see
that he was a sinner and
needed to be forgiven.**



**On the other side of the temple
stood the tax collector.
He did not look up toward heaven.**

**He hit his chest with his hands
and said,
'God, I am a sinner.
Be kind to me and forgive me.'**



**Jesus looked at the people and said,
‘This tax collector went home
with all his sins forgiven.
He was right with God.**

**‘The other man thought he was good.
He did not realise
he needed God to forgive him.’**

**Then Jesus said,
‘Those who humble themselves
and trust God their heavenly Father
will be made great.’**

