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One of the common traits that we all share as humans is our ability to forget. We need to surround ourselves with reminders. These reminders could be anything from a carefully marked calendar to a pre-set cell phone beeper: Bzzzz... “Thanks. I needed that.”

God’s Word can serve as our own custom-made heavenly reminder. As we look into his Word we get reminded of spiritual truths that will lead us to a healthy and vibrant life in Christ. Perhaps we might get a little off kilter and not realize it. We read a passage of Scripture and we are reminded of certain truths that penetrate deep into our souls: Bzzzz... “Thanks. I needed that.”

Jesus told a parable to remind those who have forgotten a very powerful and revealing truth. The truth is that we humans have no righteousness of our own. Ouch! Luke introduced the parable this way: “To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everybody else, Jesus told this parable” (Luke 18:9). Bzzzz... “Thanks. I needed that.” And we always will.

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**Luke 18:9-14**

 ■ Confidence in our own righteousness

 ■ Looking down at others

 1 Timothy 1:14

 1 John 1:8-10

 ■ The blessing of an upside down world

 ▪ Salvation Romans 1:16-17

 ▪ Freedom John 8:34-36

 ▪ Hope