

## Scripture for 10/23/2022

### A reading from the gospel of Luke chapter 18, verses 9-14:

9 Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: <sup>10</sup>“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. <sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.” <sup>13</sup>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!” <sup>14</sup>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.’

### From the minor prophet, the book of Joel: chapter 2, verses 23-28:

<sup>23</sup> O children of Zion, be glad  
and rejoice in the LORD your God;  
for God has given the early rain for your vindication,  
God has poured down for you abundant rain,  
the early and the later rain, as before.

<sup>24</sup> The threshing-floors shall be full of grain,  
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

<sup>25</sup> I will repay you for the years  
that the swarming locust has eaten,  
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,  
my great army, which I sent against you.

<sup>26</sup> You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,  
and praise the name of the LORD your God,  
who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be  
put to shame.

<sup>27</sup> You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,  
and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.  
And my people shall never again  
be put to shame.

<sup>28</sup> Then afterwards  
I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;  
your children shall prophesy,  
the old shall dream dreams,  
and your youth shall see visions.