



WHO MAY APPROACH GOD?

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- Approaching the Most Holy:
 - **Leviticus 16:2**
 - Before the presence of God.
 - No trivial appointment!
 - Detailed conditions on approaching Jehovah. (**Lev. 8; 16:2-4**)
 - When neglected it resulted in deadly consequences. **Leviticus 10:1-3**
- Christ has permanently fulfilled those conditions and given us access to God!
Hebrews 4:14-16; 10:12, 19-22

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- The Centurions Daughter **Luke 7:2-10:**
 - **vv.2-5:** Jewish Elders are sent to Jesus
 - He is worthy to have his servant healed!
 - He built us a synagogue.
 - **vv.6-10:** Centurions Servant is sent to Jesus.
 - Centurion “I am not worthy.”
- Lesson: None of us are worthy to approach God.

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■ The Pharisee and the Tax Collector

Luke 18:9-14:

- **vv.11-12:** Mr. Holier-Than-Thou
- **v.13:** Would not even raise his head.
- **v.14:** The lesson from Jesus.

■ Lesson: God desires a humble heart in order to approach Him. **1 Peter 5:5-7**

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- Blind Bartimaeus **Luke 18:35-43**:
 - **vv.35-36**: Jesus approaching and Bartimaeus wanting to know.
 - **vv.37-39**: Understands his condition and stops at nothing to get to Jesus.
 - **vv.40-43**: Jesus moved with compassion heals the man.
- Lesson: God desires those who will stop at nothing to come to Him.

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- **Bringing it Together: Who may approach God?**
- **It is not those who:**
 - Believe themselves worthy.
(The elders' appraisal of the Centurion)
 - Are self righteous. (The Pharisee)
 - Would not permit another to come.
- **It is those who:**
 - Know their condition.
 - Know they are seeking an all righteous God.
 - Will stop at nothing to come to Him.

The sacrifices of God are

**A BROKEN SPIRIT; A BROKEN
AND CONTRITE HEART, O GOD,
YOU WILL NOT DESPISE.**

Psalm 51:17

