

# HOPE GROUP

## STUDY & DISCUSSION GUIDE

### *Righteousness, Religion & Regret*

Luke 18:9-14

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#### GETTING TO KNOW ME

If someone asked you, “*What makes Christianity different from other beliefs?*” How would you answer?

What tell-tale signs might we look for in ourselves that may reveal we are suffering from an attitude of self-righteousness?

#### INTO THE BIBLE

What do the following passages teach us about getting closer to God by being good?

**Heb 7:11, Rom 10:2-4; Gal 2:21.**

Read **Romans 3:9-18**. What is your first thought after reading this passage? What does it reveal about you that you might find hard to accept? What is it about us that makes us think it cannot be referring to us?

What does Jesus mean when He mentions the Pharisee’s righteousness in **Matthew 5:20**?

#### APPLICATION

How does a biblically accurate understanding of God’s grace impact the way you see God and others?

Based on what you’ve learned, what will you change to decrease the self-righteous thoughts and actions in your life?