

**Leaving Our Baggage Behind
Hiding Our True Hearts From Jesus**

Lord, here's what is actually in me right now

1. _____

Luke 18:9-12 *To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.'*

Luke 18:13-14 *"But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."*

Psalms 22:1-2 *My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish? My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, but I find no rest.*

Key: Faith does not _____

Key: Jesus wants _____

2. Bring your _____

Psalms 10:1 *Why, LORD, do you stand far off? Why do you hide yourself in times of trouble?*

Psalms 88:13-14 *But I cry to you for help, Lord; in the morning my prayer comes before you. Why, Lord, do you reject me and hide your face from me?*

Key: What part of _____ feels too risky to
bring to God now?

Experiment: *For the next week, pray one prayer per day where you deliberately say something to God that would humiliate you if anyone else heard it.*

3. Invite Jesus _____

Here's the frustration
Here's the impatience
Here's where I'm pretending
Here's what I'm afraid of
Here's what I can't fix
Here's what's making me angry