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2. Was there anything special about that prayer? What happened after they prayer?
3. Tanner said the experience changed him. How do you think it changed the way he prayed?
4. How do you think it would change the way *you* pray, if you focus more on relationship and less on what you need? What would you do or say differently?
5. Someone once said, "We are often the answers to our own prayers." What does that mean? Do you think it is true?

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6. What behavior is Jesus criticizing here? Is He saying we shouldn't be righteous?
7. Why wouldn't you get the reward of your good behavior? Is that fair?
8. What shouldn't we do? Does that make sense? Why wouldn't we want to be identified as God's people?
9. What should our prayer be like? (v.6) Why? Are we ashamed?

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