

JESUS CAME TO SEEK AND SAVE THE LOST

Luke 19:1–10

Key Verse: 19:10

1. Where did this event take place, and where was Jesus going? (1; 18:31–33) What kind of man was Zacchaeus? (2–3) Imagine the kind of life he had led to become a chief tax collector.
2. What did Zacchaeus eagerly want? (3a) Why? (5:27–32; 7:34; 18:13–14) What two things hindered him from seeing Jesus? (3) How did he deal with this situation? (4) What can we learn from him? (Jer29:13)
3. Read verse 5. What did Jesus do and say? What is the significance of Jesus calling him by name? (Jn10:3b,14) Why did Jesus ask him to come down immediately? (5b) What does this reveal about Jesus? (Rev3:20)
4. How did Zacchaeus respond? (6) What can we learn from his attitude in responding like this to Jesus' invitation? How did all the people respond? (7) Why did they mutter against Jesus?
5. What shows Zacchaeus' genuine repentance and decision to live a new life? (8) What did it mean for him to call Jesus "Lord"? How could he be changed so radically? Read verse 9. How did Jesus bless Zacchaeus' repentance and faith? (Ro4:16; Gal3:9)
6. Read verse 10. What was Jesus' purposing in coming into the world? What did he mean by the "lost"? (Ge3:9–10; 6:5) In light of this, what does the word "save" mean? (Lk15:24; Ro8:15) How do the words "seek and save" reveal Jesus' burning shepherd's heart to win one soul? What does this mean to you?