

Scripture

Luke 19:1-10 (NLT)

Jesus and Zacchaeus

1 Jesus entered Jericho and made his way through the town. 2 There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was the chief tax collector in the region, and he had become very rich. 3 He tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree beside the road, for Jesus was going to pass that way.

- 5 When Jesus came by, he looked up at Zacchaeus and called him by name. “Zacchaeus!” he said. “Quick, come down! I must be a guest in your home today.”
- 6 Zacchaeus quickly climbed down and took Jesus to his house in great excitement and joy. 7 But the people were displeased. “*He has gone to be the guest of a notorious sinner,*” they grumbled.

- 8 Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, *“I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!”*
- 9 Jesus responded, **“Salvation has come to this home today, for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.”**