

**#5 Encountering Jesus through Salvation**  
**Luke 19:1-10 (3/29/09 AM)**

This is towards the end of the Last Months Period.

**Within the Masses, Jesus Sees \_\_\_\_\_**

1. Zacchaeus the Sinner (2)

*An Outcast to His Own People*

In a brief description of this man Luke mentions three things that explain his exclamation of “Now behold”.

- **His \_\_\_\_\_**

His name means “pure, innocent, or righteous”. His occupation reveals that he was just the opposite, Proverbs 22:1.

- **His \_\_\_\_\_**

The word means he was a commissioner of taxes. Tax collectors were outcasts in Jewish society, Matthew 18:17.

- **His \_\_\_\_\_**

Jericho was one of three regional tax centers. Proverbs 13:11, “Wealth gained by dishonesty will be diminished.”

**A Wealthy Man Living in Paradise with an Empty \_\_\_\_\_**

2. Zacchaeus the Seeker (3-4)

*More than Curiosity*

He was desperate to see Jesus.

- **His \_\_\_\_\_ reveal his desperation**

In the East men of stature do not run in public. Zacchaeus ran ahead of the crowd around Jesus and climbed a tree in order to

see Him as He passed by. A sycamore tree is a broad low tree that still grows in Jericho today. This would have opened him up to public ridicule. He is not self-conscious because he is desperate to see Jesus. Zacchaeus’ actions are very child-like. Jesus said, “Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it”, Mark 10:15.

**Salvation Involves Child-like \_\_\_\_\_**

3. Jesus the Savior (5-10)

*The Seeking Savior*

Jesus sought Zacchaeus before Zacchaeus ever sought Jesus.

- **A divine \_\_\_\_\_**

Jesus made eye contact with Zacchaeus and He called him by name. Jesus gave him a clear commandment that called for immediate action. This is more than a call to come down out of the tree.

**This Is a Picture of God \_\_\_\_\_ a Sinner to Himself** (John 6:44; Acts 16:14; Romans 3:11)

- **A divine \_\_\_\_\_**

This is a divine necessity that is seen throughout the Gospel of Luke. Luke 4:43, “I must preach the kingdom of God...”; 9:22, “The Son of man must suffer many things”; 13:33, “I must walk to day, and to morrow”; 17:25, “But first must he suffer many things” ; 24:44, “that all things must be fulfilled”

### \_\_\_\_\_ **Is Here Today By Divine Appointment**

- **A divine** \_\_\_\_\_

Here was a man who could not go to the Temple to the synagogue or the Temple to worship. The crowd murmured among themselves. If you do not admit that you are lost, you can never be saved.

### **Religious Self-righteousness Will Damn Your** \_\_\_\_\_

- **A divine** \_\_\_\_\_

Luke gives us two pieces of evidence that this sinner was truly saved.

#1 - “Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord.” Zacchaeus was declaring that Jesus was His Lord and was making restitution for his sins even beyond what the Law stated. Zacchaeus stands

in contrast to the Rich Young Ruler in Luke 18. Salvation creates a transformation in a person’s soul that strikes at the very core of one’s dominant sinfulness.

#2 - And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house” Jesus declared that Zacchaeus was truly saved and now

a true son of Abraham, Romans 2:28-29 & Galatians 6:15.

### **Salvation Came to His House Because Jesus Came Into His** \_\_\_\_\_