



Sermon Outline
March 3, 2024
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Out On A Limb

Luke 19:1-10

* **Encounter Challenge:** Read the four accounts of Jesus' life in **Matthew, Mark, Luke & John** by the end of March.

Encounter #9

Luke 19:1-10 - Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. 2 A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. 3 He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. 5 When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." 6 So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. 7 All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner." 8 But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount." 9 Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. 10 **For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.**"

Encounter Observations:

* **There was a good reason Zacchaeus behaved so** _____.

* *Zacchaeus was the _____ of the Jericho tax cartel.*

* *In the Jewish Mishnah (Oral Law), tax collectors were considered _____.*

Vs. 4 - So he **ran** ahead and **climbed** a sycamore-fig tree...

* **Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus but what he didn't realize was that Jesus was _____ for him too.**

Vs. 5 - When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today."

* **Zacchaeus climbed a tree to see the Lord, but Jesus went _____, too.**

Vs. 7 - All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner."

Mark 2:17 - On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Encounter applications:

* **There's a " _____ " of Zacchaeus in all of us.**

Romans 3:23 - For all...fall **short** of the glory of God...

* *Even though we might not know who Jesus is. Jesus knows each of us _____.*

* *Fourteen monosyllables, none of which has more than four letters, reveal Jesus' mission of **seeking** and **saving** a lost world. – "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost." - Luke 19:10*

* **There are no _____ Christ followers.**

* *True repentance brings about _____ change. Repenting is turning to God, but you can't do that without turning from sin.*

* *The way to identify if you've truly grasped the grace of God is if it motivates you to _____ of everything else!*

* **The attitude that is _____ Jesus is the attitude that _____ salvation.**

* *As it was true in Jesus' day, it is also true today – some are resisting, some are ignoring, some are oblivious, but some are _____.*