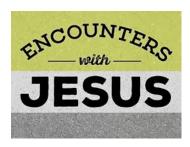
HAPPY SUNDAY FROM SHIRLEY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP



Encounters With Jesus Series Pt 2 = Zacchaeus

Opening Scripture: John 1:10-13 & 17 (NIV)

10 He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. I I He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. I 2 Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— I 3 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God. I 7 For the law was given through Moses; grace & truth came through Jesus Christ.

Sermon Scripture: Luke 19:1-10 (ESV)

He entered Jericho and was passing through. 2 And behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. 3 And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small in stature. 4 So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way.

5 And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." 6 So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. 7 And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner."

8 And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." 9 And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. IO For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

3 Take Aways From Zacchaeus The Tax Collector

1. The Crowd Blocked His View Of Seeing Jesus.	
Don't allow our hatred of an individual to cloud their view of seeing Jesus	
2. The Tree Was An Instrument To Help Zacchaeus See Jesus	
Try to be an instrument to help lift up the lost to see our Jesus.	
3. When It Comes To Our Witness To The Lost And Sinful Humanity Around Us Are we the crowd - Or are we the tree?	
Additional Scriptures From Todays Message	_
Luke 6:27-28 (NKJV) = Romans 12:21 = Timothy 2:1-6 = Ephesians 6:11 = Nehemia 8:10 = Ephesians 4:30 = John 3:11-15	h _
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