

Jesus & Zaccheus

Entering Jericho Jesus made his way through the city. There was a man there named Zacchaeus; he was superintendent of taxes and very rich. He was eager to see what Jesus looked like; but being a little man, he could not see him because of the crowd. So he ran on ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see him, for he was to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said, "Zaccheus, be quick and, come down! I must come and stay with you today." He climbed down as fast as he could and welcomed him gladly. At this there was a general murmur of disapproval. "He has gone in they said, "to be the guest of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Here and now, sir, I give half my possessions to charity; and if I have cheated anyone, I am ready to repay him four times over." Jesus said to him, "Salvation has come to this house today! for this man too is a son of Abraham. and the Son of Man has come to seek and save what is lost." (Luke 19: 1-10)

(1) If I had been Zacchaeus when Jesus stopped and asked him to come down I would have been:

- a. shocked
- b. sacred & death
- c. embarrassed
- d. excited and afraid at the same time

(2) When Jesus called Zacchaeus by name and asked to have dinner he wanted to (circle one):
with him,

- a. talk to him about his shady tax collecting
- b. help him to see another value system for his lifestyle
- c. Strike up a friendship with him
- d. Make him feel important
- e. call forth he hidden greatness in Zacchaeus
- f. make a spectacle out of him

(3) The amazing turn-around in Zaccheeus' life probably came about because Jesus (circle one):

- a. demanded this from Zacchseus
- b. accepted him as he was
- c. raised Zacchaeus' estimation of himself
- d. threw down a challenge to be different
- e. let him see what "greatness" really looked like

(4) The most important truth in this story for me is that Jesus (circle one):

- a. is on the lookout for people "up a tree"
- b. can change a "climber" into a "giver"
- c. can make a " little, man" big
- d. doesn't care what other people think
- e. walks into your life and anything can happen

(5) If Jesus was to pass my way today, he would probably (circle one)

- a. give me a swift kick in the pants
- b. put his arm around me and hug me warmly
- c. give we a real bawling out for the way I have been living
- d. invite me out to dinner to get away from it all for an e v e n i n g
- e. slap we an the shoulder and tell me that I'm O.K.
- f. pass an without saying a thing.

(6) I want to do the will of God for my life (circle ore):

- a. all of the time
- b. most of the time
- c. some of the time
- d. occasionally

As far as the will of God is concerned, I feel that God calling me to be (finish this sentence):