

Sixth Sunday in Eastertide

May 25, 2025

SERMON SERIES
Victory in the Valleys of Life

TODAY'S SERMON
"A Little Man with a Big Problem"

St. Luke 19:1-10
New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹ Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. ² A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³ He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature.

⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵ 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 down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷ All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner."

⁸ Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." ⁹ Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

Sermon Notes

Zacchaeus was a little man with a big problem. He was drawn to Jesus that day long ago, and little could he have imagined the difference it would make. There are actually some very big truths revealed in his life, when we but consider what Jesus really gave to Zacchaeus when He went home with him:

1) A New _____.

“He was trying to see who Jesus was...”

2) A New _____.

“He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.”

3) A New _____.

“Today salvation has come to this house...”

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