

Gospel in the Story of Zacchaeus

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Zacchaeus was short & a sinner

- We all were short and have sinned

Romans 3:23

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23 for all have **sinned** and **fall short** of the glory of God,

Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus

- This is for those who wanted to see Jesus

Zacchaeus climbed a Tree

- Tree represents the cross

Zacchaeus saw Jesus

- Come to the cross and you can see Jesus

Zacchaeus was saved and restored

- Zacchaeus became an instant giver
- Salvation came to Zacchaeus house
- Similarly, We will be saved and restored when we see Jesus and Behold Him

Zacchaeus the Tax Collector, Full Story

Luke 19:1-10

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19 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.”