

Expect the Unexpected

Luke 19:1-10

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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. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Table Discussion Questions:

1. How did God bring you to saving faith in Jesus Christ? Would others characterize your conversion as expected or unexpected?
2. Are there people in your life that you don't expect will come to saving faith in Jesus Christ? How should our understanding of Jesus' mission and atonement influence our expectations?
3. What are some ways that Zacchaeus' life changed because of his encounter with Jesus?
4. What are some areas of your life that Jesus has changed and sanctified? Has that brought you sorrow or joy?
5. Is there an area of your life where you are resisting change and sanctification? What are some things that are contributing to that?