

Theme

Jesus knows my name

Object

A tape measure to measure the children

Scripture

Luke 19:1-10

How tall are you? I thought it might be fun to measure some of you and see how tall you are. (Take a few minutes to measure some of the children.) Well, some of you are rather tall and some of you are shorter than some of the others.

What are some challenges people face when they're short? What's it like for you when you're somewhere and you just can't see? What do you do to try to see better? I don't have to tell you about the problems of being short in a world full of tall people. You face that problem every day.

When Jesus came by and saw Zacchaeus in the tree, Jesus looked up at him and called him by name. Jesus knew his name! And Jesus knows your name. Jesus said, "Zacchaeus! Come down quickly. I am going to be a guest in your home today." And Zacchaeus took Jesus to his house. The people could not believe that Jesus would go to the home of a man like that!

Jesus changed Zacchaeus. And Zacchaeus said, "I am going to give half of all that I own to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount."

Jesus forgave Zacchaeus and said, "Today salvation has come to this house. For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost."

Jesus knew Zacchaeus' name. And he knew everything Zacchaeus had ever done. When Zacchaeus met Jesus, his life was changed. It doesn't matter if you are short or tall, Jesus knows your name, too, and Jesus knows everything about you

Prayer of the Day:

Dear God, we know that when we meet Jesus, it will be a life-changing experience. Thank You that Jesus knows our name and loves us. In Jesus' name, amen.

Zacchaeus and Jesus

Coloring Page



Zacchaeus Meets Jesus
Decoder

Zacchaeus Meets Jesus

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him,
"Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today."
So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. Luke 19:5-6 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

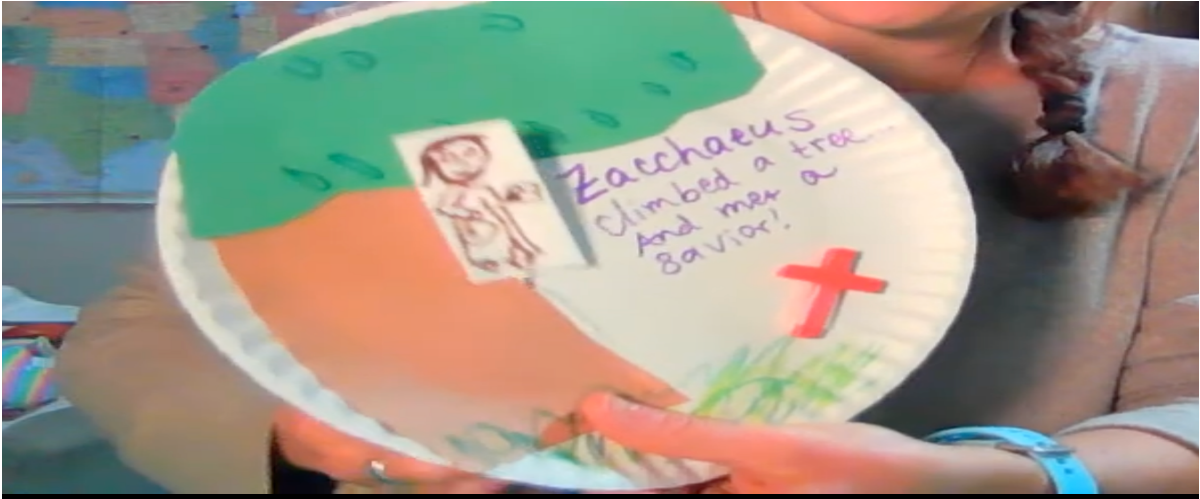


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CROWD	TREE	SEEK	SAVE
CLIMB	LOST	SHORT	SINNER

Sunday School Crafts Activities: “Find Zaccheus in a Tree Plate”



Materials needed:

- Paper plate
- Art papers
- Scissors
- Glue and Coloring pens

Lesson from the crafts activity:

Zacchaeus is a fun story to share with young children (and a great song, too!). As we look at the Bible lesson, we emphasize the change of heart that the tax collector went through after meeting the savior, and we recall how Jesus has power to impact our lives. These crafts help students recount and act out the story. A “Find Zacchaeus in the Tree plate” places a moveable popsicle stick puppet on a plate.