

# **REACHING OUTSIDE THE CHURCH - PART 4**

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."

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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."

## Key points:

1. Open our eyes to those around us in the normal course of life.
2. We must take on a “missional” mindset.
3. Act upon the spiritual opportunities that present themselves.
4. Jesus took the initiatives in conversation.
5. Be the church so you can invite to church.

# Next Steps

1. Pray this prayer on a daily basis (Dr. Alvin Reed) “God give me today:
  1. An opportunity to speak with someone about Jesus;
  2. the eyes to see it;
  3. the courage to take it.”
2. Set a personal goal to talk to at least one person the next week about Christ.