

## “Saint Zacchaeus”

Luke 19:1-10

### INTRODUCTION:

*What is a saint? [A forgiven sinner: Romans 1; 1 Corinthians 1; Ephesians 1]*

### I. LET'S MEET SAINT ZACCHAEUS (Luke 19:1-10)

- A. He was “imprisoned” by his identity:  
a short, cheating, hated tax collector
- B. Jesus finds him “up a sycamore tree”
- C. Jesus speaks wonderful words:  
**“Hurry & come down, for I must stay at your house today”** (v. 5)

### II. THE LOVE OF JESUS TRANSFORMS ZACCHAEUS

- A. Zacchaeus the cheater & taker becomes Zacchaeus the witness & giver (v.8)
- B. In the person of Jesus, the power of God's *Law & Gospel* were at work
- C. Salvation came to Zacchaeus' house (vv. 9-10) & Zacchaeus the sinner was made into Zacchaeus the saint

### III. THE LOVE OF JESUS TRANSFORMS US & FREES US FROM THE PRISON OF PAST IDENTITIES

- A. Oh how many of us & others have been imprisoned by our pasts . . .
- B. Jesus comes to you with the same wonderful words  
He spoke to Zacchaeus:  
**“Hurry & come down, for I must stay at your house today.”**
- C. He is here today & comes to you in His Word proclaimed & His Supper shared.

### CONCLUSION:

*Jesus invites you to come down out of your tree . . .  
He has made you a saint! [Blessed All Saints Day!]*

