**100 Days with Jesus**

**Study No. 15 Luke 19:1-10**

**Introduction**

Say hello to Zacchaeus, the Danny DeVito of the Gospels: big house, plenty of money, other rich friends and despised by the people. Why? Because he is the exact opposite of Robin Hood. Zacchaeus is a tax collector which means he squeezes the money out of the people, gives some of it to the Romans, but keeps a big cut for himself.

**Questions**

Read Luke 19:1-10

1. If tax collectors were not liked in Jesus day, which group are looked down on or hated today?
2. Why did Zacchaeus have to climb a tree?
3. Looking at this story do you think Jesus is interested in crowds or individuals?
4. Can you think of other occasions when Jesus picks out an individual in a crowd?
5. Why does Jesus invite himself back to Zacchaeus house?
6. Have you ever been aware of Jesus entering your life?
7. When Zacchaeus came to faith parts of his life changed instantly. What changes has Jesus made in your life?
8. If Jesus wants you to spend time with one individual, who do you think that would be?

**Key question to finish: Who is God and how do we respond?**

**Prayer**

Lord Jesus,

Where, or rather, who is the Zacchaeus in my life?

Slow me down, that I might remember him

Help me to recall her voice, his face

Help me to notice him, to visit her.

Amen.

**Leaders Notes**

3. Not only was he small, but others would not allow him to the front.

5. E.g. Luke 5 (Jesus speaking to a crowd and then he picks out Peter to be his disciple). Matthew 9:2 (the women with the flow of blood in the middle of a crowd). The paralytic man at the crowded pool of Bethesda in John 5. Blind Bartimaeus in Mark 10:46ff. The widow with her mite Mark 12:41ff.