



To See Jesus

Luke 19:1-10

May 29th - June 4th, 2016

Warm Up: In this week's *Encounter with Jesus* we see a "wee little" man who's life is changed when Jesus calls him by name to come down from a tree. To put it all in context, take a quick look at **Luke 18** as a group. What were some of the principles and themes Jesus sought to teach His disciples from this chapter?

- ❖ Read **Luke 18:18-24 & 19:1-10** aloud. As you consider the encounters Jesus had with two different wealthy men (the young ruler and Zacchaeus) what similarities can you identify? What differences do you see?
 - Why did Zacchaeus try to see Jesus? What do you suppose he was hoping to see?

"The noblest purpose that can actuate the human heart is expressed in these three little words: 'To See Jesus'" - Thomas Kelly

- ❖ Read **Luke 19:5-10** again silently. Jesus calls each of us by name. He knows us intimately. Jesus' call to Zacchaeus changed everything in this man's life. Pastor George laid out 4 results of Seeing Jesus by faith:
 - 1) Gives joy and excitement,
 - 2) Rustles others around us,
 - 3) Enacts financial freedom,
 - 4) Saves us who were lost.
 - Take some time and to consider each of these. Can you say they are true for you?
 - Which one(s) may be lacking in your life? Why might this be?

Wrap Up: Like Zacchaeus, you may have found yourself chasing after wealth, fame, position or power. If so, perhaps it's time *To See Jesus* in your own life. Is this your number 1 priority? As the summer approaches, make a plan to **daily** s encounter and see Jesus in a particular time and place. Pray for each other specifically and ask our kind Father for the desire and power to do what pleases Him! (**Philippians 2:13**)