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2. Our scripture this morning is about such a man, who went to a parade, but couldn't see above the crowd and he climbed a tree to see the main attraction.
3. Jesus, had become a novelty because of the miracles that Jesus had performed in the region.
4. The mysteries of the scriptures tell us that neither Jesus nor Zacchaeus, the man who climbed the tree, knew each other.
5. As Jesus traveled through the streets of Jericho, Jesus came to the place where Zacchaeus was setting.
6. Jesus stopped, looked up and said, “Zacchaeus, you come down, for I am going to your house today.”
7. Not only was Zacchaeus shocked, but the people in the crowd were even more shocked!
8. Zacchaeus was a little man with a great big problem! He was a thief and a cheat! He was the ‘Chief Tax Collector’ who had become very rich, because he cheated the people by collecting more taxes than they owed.
9. Zacchaeus knew that he had cheated people and when he and Jesus arrived at his house, without being prompt, Zacchaeus immediately confessed and apologized for his sins.
10. “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.” Why, because Zacchaeus was remorseful for what he had done and he needed to repent (he sensed that Jesus was the Savior).
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13. But the bigger question is how does this story apply to our lives; change, gratitude, seeking the face of our Lord first, repentance, faithless to faithfulness?

14. The scripture does not tell us what caused Zacchaeus to change, but all will change when we encounter Jesus.

15. I don't think it was anything Jesus said or did. I can remember the times when I have felt small or guilty because I have done something that I had done to be hurtful, but then I experienced the presence of the living Christ.

16. Zacchaeus was small man, in stature, but he had a big problem—sin like most of us.

17. Yet, he was willing to confess his short comings and ask for forgiveness.

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