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to Save Us**

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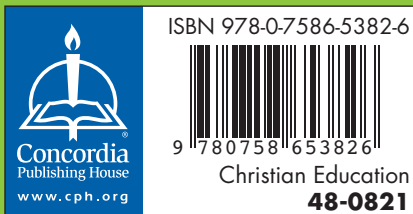
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Jesus and Zacchaeus

Luke 19:1-10

The Characters

Jesus
Zacchaeus
Crowd

The Setting

Jericho

Bible Memory Verse

The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.
Luke 19:10



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Today, find out what Jesus tells Zacchaeus and what it means for you.

Name: _____

Review

If Jesus wrote a note to Zacchaeus or to you, what would it say? Fill in the blanks. Bonus: Find fifteen hearts on this page.

Dear Z _____,
I have noticed you! Come to Me. I know you have sinned
by _____. Your sin has pulled us apart. But I
_____ you. You are saved. You are a child of _____.

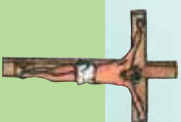
Love,
J _____

Dear _____,
I have noticed you! Come to Me. I know you have
sinned by _____. Your sin has pulled us apart. But
I _____ you. You are saved. You are a child of _____.

Love,
J _____



The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost. Luke 19:10



The True Story

In Jericho, there lived a man named Zacchaeus; he was a rich tax collector. Some people did not like tax collectors. They thought tax collectors cheated people, making them pay too much money to the Roman government.

One day, Jesus was traveling to Jericho. Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus, but the crowds were great and he was short. So Zacchaeus ran ahead of the crowds and climbed into a sycamore tree. * When Jesus walked by, He stopped and called up to Zacchaeus. He said, **"Hurry and come down, Zacchaeus. I want to stay at your house today."**

Zacchaeus was filled with joy. He did just what Jesus said.

Some people grumbled because Jesus was willing to eat with sinners like Zacchaeus. They did not think it was right.

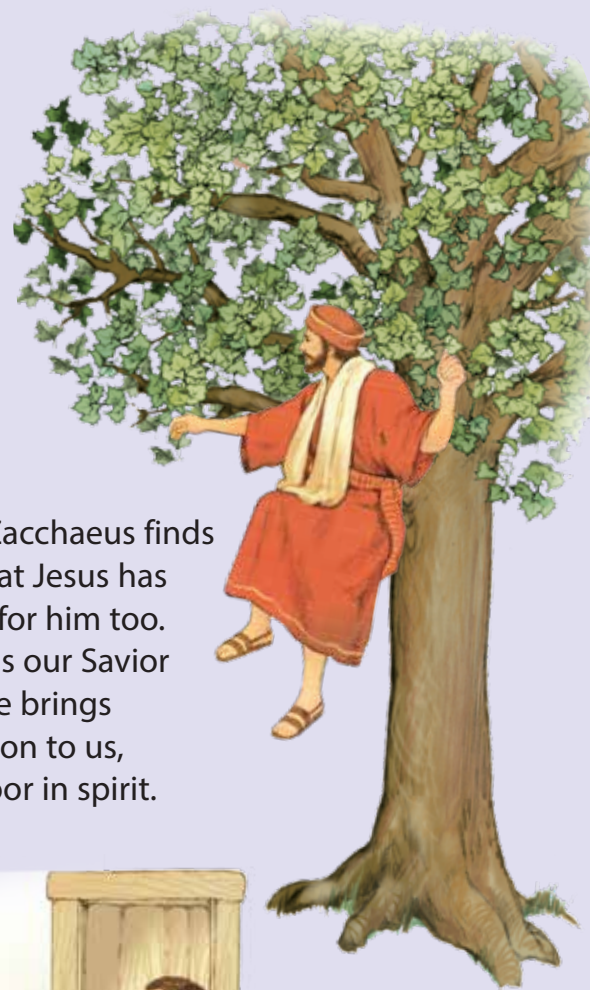
But Zacchaeus said to Jesus, **"Lord, I will give half of my goods to the poor. If I have cheated anyone, I will pay them back."**

Jesus said, **"Today, salvation has come to this house. I have good news. I have come to seek and to save the lost." ***

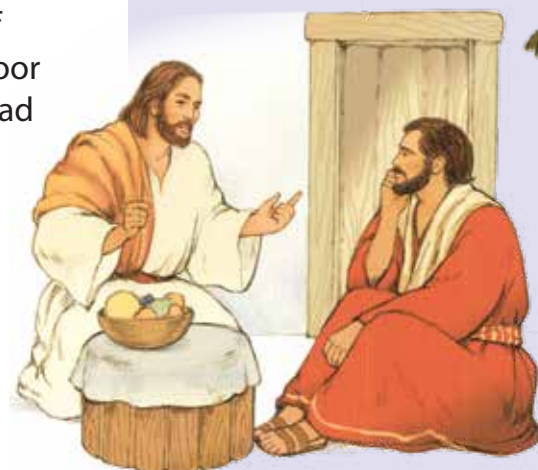
This Bible story is an example of what Jesus means when He says, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:3). Zacchaeus was poor in spirit but rich in Jesus because Jesus had come to him.

As you read the story on the left, pause when you come to an *. Then, look at the pictures below.

* Short Zacchaeus found an interesting way to see Jesus. What would you have done?



* Zacchaeus finds out that Jesus has come for him too. Jesus is our Savior too. He brings salvation to us, the poor in spirit.



Look It Up

Luke 19:5

What do you think? Who found whom? Did Zacchaeus find Jesus, or did Jesus find Zacchaeus?

Luke 19:8

Zacchaeus's words and actions showed that he was sorry for loving money so much. What did Zacchaeus tell Jesus he would do?

Family Time

At the Drawing Board

Lily and Sprout made VIP passes. The letters *VIP* stand for "Very Important Person." You are very important to Jesus. He came to seek and to save you. Make VIP passes for each person in your family.

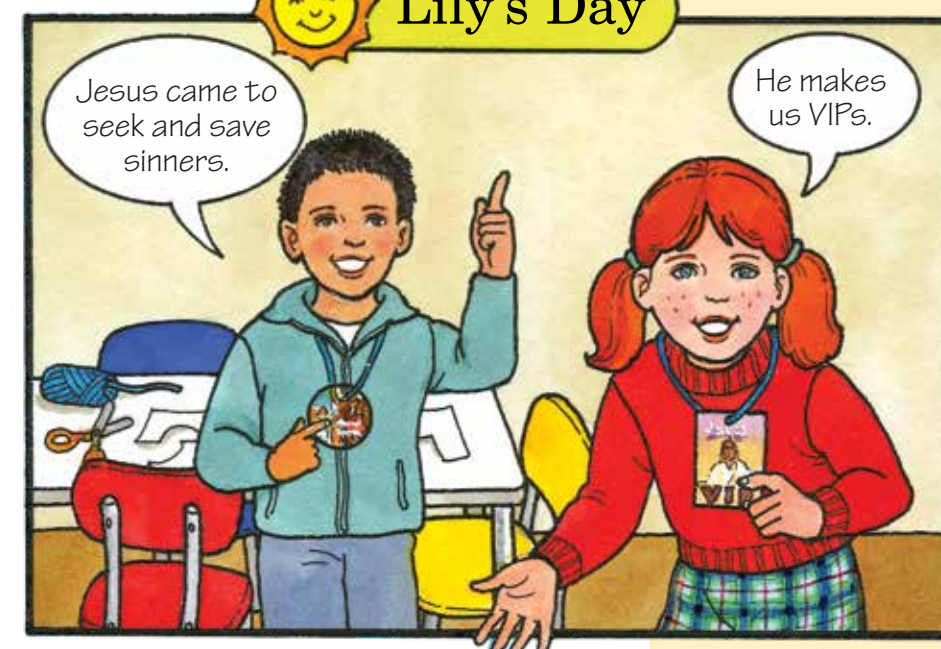


Before Bedtime

Talk with an adult about people who don't know Jesus as their Savior. Then, pray for them.



Lily's Day



The Triumphal Entry

Mark 11:1–10;
Luke 19:28–40

The Characters

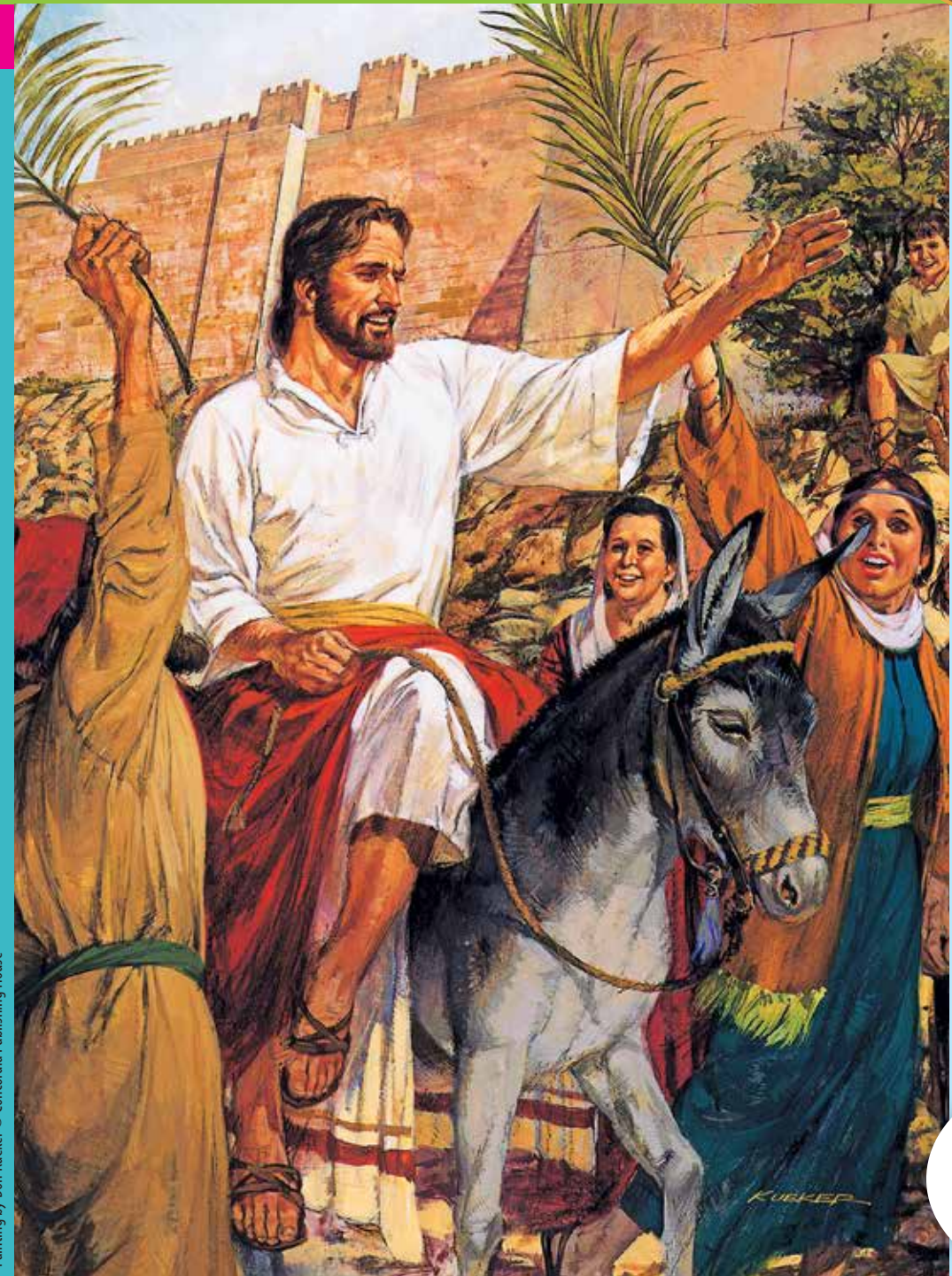
Jesus
The disciples
Crowd

The Setting

In and near
Jerusalem

Bible Memory Verse

Hosanna!
Blessed is He
who comes in
the name of the
Lord!
Mark 11:9



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I wonder why our King, Jesus, would ride on a donkey.

Name: _____

Review

Write the letters ea on the blanks to complete the words. Read each sentence to review the story.
Add e's and a's to find out what the person in the crowd is shouting.

Jesus went on ah____d, going up to Jerusalem.
When He drew n____r to the Mount of Olives, He
told two of His disciples directions to h____r: "Go
into town and s____rch for a colt. Untie it and bring it
to Me." So they threw the cloak they had to w____r on
the colt and brought it to Jesus to ride.

As Jesus rode along, many people spr____d their
cloaks on the road. As Jesus was alr____dy on the
way down the Mount of Olives, many people spr____d
l____fy branches on the road. They praised God in a
loud voice and scr____med, "Blessed is the King who
comes in the name of the Lord! P____ce in h____ven
and glory in the highest!"

Hosanna!
Hallelujah!



Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Mark 11:9

The True Story

Jesus went ahead of the crowds up to Jerusalem. When He came near the Mount of Olives, He told His disciples, **"Go into town and search for a colt. Untie it and bring it to Me."**

They went and found a colt tied to a door outside in the street, and they untied it. Some of the people standing in the street asked them, **"Why are you doing this?"**

The disciples told them, **"The Lord needs it, but we will bring it back."** *

They brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks on it for Jesus to ride on the colt. Many others spread their cloaks on the road and others waved palm branches for Jesus. *

The people celebrated their King and shouted, **"Hosanna! * Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"**

Usually, earthly kings rode in fancy chariots and wore golden crowns, but not our King Jesus. Jesus rode on a humble donkey to fulfill the Old Testament prophecy of Zechariah and to show the people that He was a different kind of king. The people thought they needed an earthly king, but Jesus knew they needed a Messiah who would conquer sin and rule forever.

As you read the story on the left, pause when you come to an *. Then, look at the pictures.

* Why do you think the colt's owner was so willing to give his colt to the disciples?



* People would spread their coats and palm branches on the ground to show their respect and honor.

* Hosanna means "save us now." Why do we need saving?



Look It Up

Luke 19:37

How did the people react when they saw Jesus?

What do you think you would do if you were part of the crowd when Jesus rode the colt into Jerusalem?

Family Time

While Eating

Talk about why Jesus is so much better than an earthly king. Talk about why we need a Messiah to save us.



While Singing

Find the hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" (Lutheran Service Book 442). Sing it; pray it. Note: You can find this hymn on YouTube.



At Bedtime

Pray: Dear Jesus, thank You for being my heavenly

King, for being my Messiah, and for saving me from my sin. Amen.



Lily's Day

