Zacchaeus

Luke 19:1-9

One day as Jesus passed through Jericho many people gathered to see Him. A man name Zacchaeus was among the crowd that day. He was a tax collector, and people didn't like him. He charged them too much for their taxes and kept the money for himself.

Zacchaeus wasn't able to see Jesus because he was short and couldn't see over the crowd. He came up with an idea. He ran ahead of the crowd and climbed up in a sycamore tree. That way he would be able to see Jesus when he came by that way.

Something happened that Zacchaeus didn't expect. When Jesus came to the place where he was, Jesus looked up in the tree and said, "Zacchaeus, hurry down from that tree. I'm going to your house today."

Zacchaeus hurried down. He was full of joy, but the people around him murmured. They didn't like it that Jesus was going to the home of a tax collector and cheat.

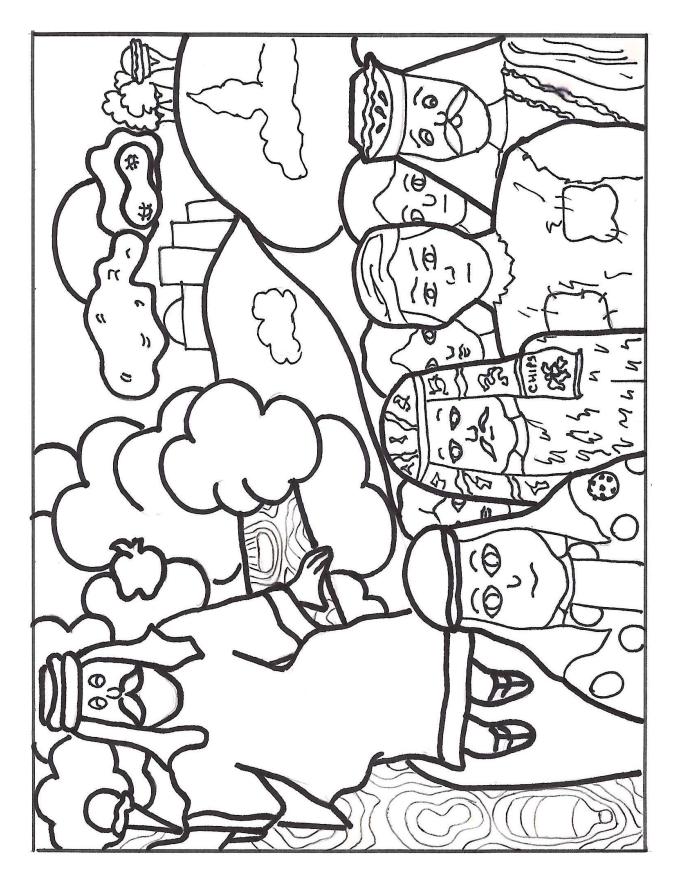
Zacchaeus changed after He met Jesus. He said was going to give half of everything he had to the poor. He said he would give the people four times as much money back as he cheated them of.

Jesus told Zacchaeus salvation had come to his house that day.

When people come to know Jesus, they change. He can take the meanest person and make them kind. Not only will Jesus wash our sins away, but He will change our heart, so we don't want to do those bad things anymore.

Search: Jesus told Zacchaeus to hurry down from the tree, because Jesus was going to go to his house. What would you serve a special guest who came to your house? Find an apple, an ice cream cone, a bottle of pop, a chocolate chip cookie, a bag of chips, a slice of bread, a pie, a peanut, a cupcake, a hotdog, and a hamburger hidden in the picture.

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