



Zacchaeus

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MORNING READING

Psalm 37:1-11 NIV

- 1** Do not fret because of those who are evil or be envious of those who do wrong;
- 2** for like the grass they will soon wither, like green plants they will soon die away.
- 3** Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.
- 4** Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

- 5 Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this:**
- 6 He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn, your vindication like the noonday sun.**
- 7 Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes.**
- 8 Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret—it leads only to evil.**

9 For those who are evil will be destroyed,
but those who hope in the LORD will
inherit the land.

10 A little while, and the wicked will be
no more; though you look for them,
they will not be found.

11 But the meek will inherit the land and
enjoy peace and prosperity.

MAIN READING

Luke 19: 1-11

- 1.** Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through.
- 2.** A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy.
- 3.** He wanted to see who Jesus was, but being a short man he could not, because of the crowd.
- 4.** So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

5. When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." **6.** So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. **7.** All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a `sinner."
8. But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything,

I will pay back four times the amount."
(Zacchaeus heard the criticism and turned it around). **9.** Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. **10.** For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost." **11.** While they were listening to this, he went on to tell them a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and the people thought that the kingdom of God was going to appear at once.

Romans 4:8 New International Version

Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord will never count against them.”

Psalm 32:1

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered!

Psalm 32:2

Blessed is the man whose iniquity the LORD does not count against him, in whose spirit there is no deceit.

John 3:17 New Living Translation

17 God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.

Luke 15:10

"I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents". One commentary says; "Why do they rejoice? Not because they're surprised, but because a great victory has been won!"

Psalm 1:1-2 KJV

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, Nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; And in his law doth he meditate day and night.



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