

## **GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER?**

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Luke 19:5 (NLT)

Jesus entered Jericho and made his way through the town. There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was the chief tax collector in the region, and he had become very rich. Luke 19:1-2 (NLT)

Jesus saw how sad the man was. So he said, "It's terribly hard for rich people to get into God's kingdom!" Luke 18:24 (CEV)

For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows. **1 Timothy 6:10 (NLT)** 

*Command* those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

*Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.* **1 Timothy 6:17-18 (NLT)** 

He tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree beside the road, for Jesus was going to pass that way. Luke 19:3-4 (NLT)

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Zacchaeus quickly climbed down and took Jesus to his house in great excitement and joy.

But the people were displeased. "He has gone to be the guest of a notorious sinner," they grumbled. Luke 19:6-7 (NLT)

Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, "I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!" Luke 19:8 (NLT)

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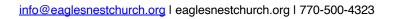
Jesus responded, "Salvation has come to this home today, for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham. Luke 19:9 (NLT)

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:21 (NIV)

For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost. Luke 19:10 (NLT)

The heart of God towards those whom others reject.

The real stature of a person is not how high they stand, but how low they bow before Jesus.



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