SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

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Welcome and Announcements

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# Call to Worship

Ephesians 2:19-20

"So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone"

Invocation

Hymn

**Declaration of Truth** 

Isaiah 55:6-9

Leader: "Seek the LORD while he may be found;

call upon him while he is near;

All: let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Leader: For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

All: For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

Hymns

**Sermon** "Who Invited This Guy?" Dee Hammond
Luke 19:1-10 Pastor of Missions

Hymn

Benediction

## Who is present?

Jesus, Zacchaeus, the crowd, the disciples

(18.31-34)

Jesus has to go through Jericho to get to Jerusalem Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior, Fanny Crosby

## Zacchaeus Seeking Jesus (vs. 2-4)

The life of a tax collector

Romans 3.10-12 (Psalm 14.1-3; 53.1-3)

Everyone seeks something

Irresistible Grace

# Jesus seeking Zacchaeus (vs. 5-6)

In the midst of the crowd, Jesus sees the individual (Luke 15.3-7)

The scandal of vs. 7

(John 4.7-45) (Luke 7.36-50) (Matthew 9.9-13)

## Faith and Repentance (vs. 8-9)

The Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 31. What is effectual calling?

A. Effectual calling is the work of God's Spirit, whereby, convincing us of our sin and misery, enlightening our minds in the knowledge of Christ, and renewing our wills, he doth persuade and enable us to embrace Jesus Christ, freely offered to us in the gospel.

He embraced Jesus by faith

The anatomy of apology: confessions and changes

Acts 3.19-20

# With Christ in the School of Evangelism (vs. 10)

Exalt God, Equip God's People, and Engage God's World

Jesus called Zacchaeus by name

Everyone is lost until they are found by the seeking Savior

Jesus doesn't keep His distance from sinners

#### Reflections:

"Another proof of the conquest of a soul for Christ will be found in a real change of life. If the man does not live differently from what he did before, both at home and abroad, his repentance needs to be repented of and his conversion is a fiction." — Charles Spurgeon

"To be near God and to have God near us is the whole purpose of human life.

But without sincere repentance there can be no face-to-face fellowship with
the Father of lights. An unrepentant heart is self-satisfied, proud, and cold.
God resists such a heart. But the Lord cannot resist the broken heart that
has experienced true repentance." – Jack Miller





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