

## Jesus' Kindness Leads Greedy Zacheus to Repent

About 2 minutes, from Luke 19: 1-10

Participants (*No need to memorize lines; the aim is to relive sacred events, not to perform*)

Zacheus	
Observer	
Voice (of Jesus)	
Prompter	Shout a brief line, and Echoes repeat it.
Echoes	Children and all adults who want to take part. Echoes need no script.
Observer	Look! Isn't that Jesus of Nazareth? He's coming into Jericho. Come. Let's see what that famous rabbi is doing here.
Prompter & Echoes	A crowd quickly gathers.
Observer	Oh! Here comes Zacheus; the richest guy in town, and the shortest. Why does such a sneaky, stingy sinner want to see a holy prophet?
Prompter & Echoes	Sneaky and stingy!
Zacheus	I can't see Jesus! Too many people! I'm too short!
Observer	That's just as well, Zacheus. You have no place with Jesus! You're boss of the tax collectors that serve the Roman invaders. You cheat us. You charge us more than what we owe.
Zacheus	Yeah? Prove it! I can't see Jesus because of this crowd around him. I'll run ahead and climb that sycamore tree to watch as He passes below.
Prompter & Echoes	He climbs up!
Zacheus	Oh, oh! Jesus has stopped below me. He's looking up! He sees me!
Voice	Zacheus, hurry and come down. Today I must stay at your house.
Zacheus	Who, me? You sure you got the right man? Amazing! Okay, I'm coming.
Observer	Why does Jesus bother with that little cheater? How can a truly holy person associate with such a scoundrel!
Prompter & Echoes	Lowlife!
Observer	Well! He has done it! Jesus is the guest of a foul, treasonous sinner! Ha!
Zacheus	Lord Jesus, half of my possessions I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will give back four times as much.
Voice	Today salvation has come to this house, because the Son of Man comes to seek and save those who were lost.
Prompter & Echoes	Angels are rejoicing in glory!