

At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5 Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus Unit 2, Lesson 11

Jesus and Zacchaeus

Lesson Aim: To know Jesus came for you.

THE WELCOME

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Here I am."

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO SERVES

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the King who serves. That means He gives us what we need. He came from heaven to find us and give us life forever. He knows our names and He loves each one of us. His love is the widest (all spread arms) and the longest (all reach arms forward) and the highest (all reach high) and the deepest (all squat down low) love in the whole wide world. Let's do those motions as we sing about His wide, long, high, deep love.

Jesus came for Zacchaeus and He came for each one of you. Jesus is in heaven now. When we say, "Here I am," He hears us!

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

THE WORD JESUS CAME FOR ZACCHAEUS CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned Jesus wanted Martha to "be still" and spend time with Him. Today, we will hear how Jesus told Zacchaeus to come down out of a fig tree. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Luke 19:5.

WATCH THE WORD: LUKE 19:1-10

Read poem. Display visual.

- > Zacchaeus lived in Jericho;
- > He was rich and very short.
- > When he heard Jesus was coming,
- He wanted to see the Lord.
- > He had to climb up in a tree,
- To see above the crowd.
- > Then Lord Jesus called his name,
- > "Zacchaeus, you come down.
- > I'm staying at your house today."
- > Zacchaeus climbed down the tree.
- > Jesus had come for Zacchaeus,
- > And He came for you and me.

What did Jesus tell Zacchaeus to do? (Come down.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Luke 19:5 from teacher's Bible.

Just as He came for Zacchaeus, Jesus came for us. What can we say to Jesus? ("Here I am.") Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "Here I am." Include sign language or hand motions.

THE WAY JESUS CAME FOR US

CRAFT: Zacchaeus in the Tree **GAMES:** Here I Am!, Jesus Seeks **SNACK:** Zacchaeus' Fig Treat

CIRCLE OF PRAYER FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Luke 19:1-10

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Circle of Love, How Big Is

Jesus' Love?

STORY TIME