

Lesson Six — Part Two

# Zacchaeus Meets Jesus

**Scripture:** Luke 19:1-10.

**Lesson Aim:** To review **Lesson Five** and to learn what happened when Jesus went home with Zacchaeus.

**Bible Words:** ... Follow that which is good ... (I Thessalonians 5:15).

**Pre-Class:** Give each child a picture-to-color and some crayons when they arrive. When it is time for class to begin, label the pictures and take them up until **Closing**.

**Attendance And Welcome:** The children will add another cat to their charts. If a child was not present last week, he should add the punch-out of the cats drinking from the bowl of milk. Next time he can begin adding the other cats.

Make the visitors feel special by introducing them to the rest of the class. Let them know they are welcome.

**Bible Lesson:** You will need pictures #4 and #5 from **Lesson Five**, visuals for **Lesson Six** and your Bible.

Hold up your Bible. *Every time we come to class we learn from the Bible. Will you please help me sing **The Bible, The Bible?** (Say **The Bible, The Bible**, it tells of Zacchaeus.) Thank you for helping me sing about the Bible.*

Show picture #4 from **Lesson Five**. *The last time we were in class we learned that Zacchaeus climbed up in a tree. Do you remember why Zacchaeus climbed in the tree? He wanted to see Jesus. Zacchaeus was too short to see over the people, so he climbed up in the tree. Did Jesus see Zacchaeus in the tree? Yes, Jesus did see Zacchaeus.*

Show picture #5 from **Lesson Five**. *Jesus told Zacchaeus to come down from the tree. Jesus said, "I am going to your house today." Zacchaeus was so happy to hear Jesus was going to his house that he quickly got down from the tree.*

Show picture #1 for **Lesson Six**. *Zacchaeus and Jesus talked. Zacchaeus said to Jesus, "Lord, if I have taken anything from any man wrongly, I will return it to him. I will even give him more*

than I took from him." Jesus was glad to hear Zacchaeus had learned to do good to other people.

Show your Bible. We learn from the Bible that Jesus wants everyone to be good. It pleases Jesus when we do good things for other people.

**Songs:** Sing all the songs you have had before and say the Bible words. After *The Prayer Song*, thank God for the Bible which teaches people to do good.

**Application Lesson:** At the top of a large sheet (22" x 28") of poster board write: **Jesus wants everyone to do good.**

Cut out pictures of people from magazines, books and catalogs. Let the children glue the pictures to the board. When they have finished covering the board, hang it on the door in your room. As the children work, talk about good things people can do. For example: saying thank you is being good; picking up toys is being good; playing quietly when Mom or Dad is on the telephone is being good; etc. Think of other ideas you can use.

**Take-Home:** Remove the pictures and the punch-outs for **Lesson Six** from the workbooks. Using brads, help the children add the punch-out arms to the picture.

Talk about the picture: *In this picture we see Zacchaeus and a woman. He is giving the woman something. Can you see what is in his hand? It is some money. The woman does not have enough money for herself and her baby. Maybe she needs to buy some food or clothes. Zacchaeus is being good. He is giving her some money so she can have food to eat and clothes to wear. Zacchaeus told Jesus that he would give half of his goods to help the poor. Do you think he is pleasing Jesus? Yes, he is pleasing Jesus. He is doing something good.* Label the papers and take them up until **Closing**.

**Bible Lesson Review:** You will need picture #4 from **Lesson Five** and picture #1 from **Lesson Six**. Show the pictures and briefly review the lessons. If time permits, review all previous lessons, the Bible words and sing the Zacchaeus song.

**Closing:** Return all papers and personal belongings to the children. Remind them to return next time when you will tell them about another man who learned to do good.