

Sermon: Generous Living
Series: *Turning the World Upside Down*

Scripture: Luke 19:1-10
Date: August 2, 2020

OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1) What does this passage teach us about us (mankind)?

- a) In what way can you relate to Zacchaeus?

- b) Greed is one of those sins that is “everybody else’s problem.” To see your own greed will take humility, grace, and prayer. Where can you identify greed in your own life today?

- c) What does Zacchaeus teach us about the need for both repentance and restitution?

2) What does this passage teach us about God?

- a) What does Jesus’ response to Zacchaeus reveal to us about God?

3) What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

- a) Money is often our source of freedom and security. How does the gospel of grace free us from our need to make money (or anything else) our source of freedom and security?

Discuss 2 Corinthians 8:9-10 and this statement: When God’s grace grips your heart, money loses its grip on your heart.

APPLICATION

- a) What is one specific way that you can practice generous living and giving starting this week?

PRAYER

Praise God for the poverty of Christ who became poor that we might become rich.

Confess any form of greed that is growing in your heart and life.

Ask God to produce a generous spirit in you as you remember the generosity of Jesus for you.