

# The Gospel of Luke, Chapter 19

Participating in the Mission



## First of all... Bartimaeus

*The blind man received his sight and began following Him...”* To **WHERE?**

- *Given his freedom: Mark 10:52 “Go your way, your faith has made you well.”*
- *v. 18:51 -- On the road to Jerusalem and to the crucifixion.*

*\*\*\* We're called to Gal. 2:20.*

## What traits describe Zacchaeus?

*Jesus is nearing His death, but presses on, passing through Jericho.*

- *Small in stature*
  - *Chief Tax-Collector in Jericho*
    - *Rich*
      - *Wanted to see Jesus*

*Name Meaning: “Pure” or “Righteous”*

# What traits describe Zacchaeus?

*What actions demonstrated the true desire that Zacchaeus had?*

- *He was “trying to see Jesus.”*

*“...he ran on ahead...”*

*“...climbed up into a sycamore tree in order to see (Jesus), for He was about to pass that way.”*

*“He hurried down”*

*“received Him gladly.”*

## What traits describe Zacchaeus?

*Was Zacchaeus genuinely converted?*

- *Cf. vs. 8-9 -- Yes.*
- *He was rich. (Luke 18:24)*
- *And yet, he gave generously to the poor and showed repentance.*
- *Also, Jesus said that he had been saved. (v. 9)*

## Why stay with Zacchaeus?

- *To find lodging. (Grk. = “remain”*
- *(v. 7) – people considered a tax-collector to be a “sinner” and beyond being saved.*
- *Also, it provided an opportunity for Him to clearly state His mission. (v. 10)*

*“For the Son of Man has come to seek  
And to save that which was lost.”*

## The Parable to follow...

In light of Luke 17:22-30, who is represented by the Nobleman in this parable?

➤ *The Son of Man, the Lord Jesus Himself, referring to His future return.*

What did the Nobleman want his slaves to be doing until his return? WHY?

➤ *Conducting His business. (vs. 13 & 15)*

➤ *To show an increase to His mission (v. 23).*

# The Nobleman and His Slaves

- Was the attitude of the Nobleman's slaves positive or negative toward him?
  - *Difficult to say...*
    - *They were both respectful and fearful*
    - *Showed deference and, perhaps, admiration.*

*Who might these slaves represent?*

- *Followers of Jesus Christ.*
- *Not just "believers"!*

## The Nobleman and His Slaves

What did the 10-mina and 5-mina slaves do with the Nobleman's investment in them?

➤ *They did "business" on the Master's mission, in order to bring Him a return. (Jn. 15:8)*

What did the 1-mina slave do with his Master's investment in him?

➤ *Out of fear, he kept it safely hidden away.*

➤ *Showed little increase to His mission (v. 23).*

# The 1-mina Slave?

Who is represented by the 1-mina slave?

- *He represents a believer in Jesus who is unwilling to invest his life for the Mission of the Lord Jesus.*

Consider the “Investment” that Jesus made in us.

- *18:31-33.*
- *giving us the indwelling Holy Spirit.*
- *Spiritual Gifts.*

## The Master's Response?

How did the Nobleman respond to the 10-mina and 5-mina slaves?

*“Well done, good slave” Then, He entrusted them with greater responsibility.*

How did He respond to the 1-mina slave?

- *“Worthless slave.”*
- *Then, He rebuked him for not even getting a very little return.*

*What was the difference between the slaves who heard, “Well done, good slave” and those who heard, “worthless slave”?*

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**...Must be willing to: Take RISKS!**

*Who is represented by the “citizens”?*

*v. 14 – They hated Him and said, “We do not want this man to rule over us.*

*v. 27 “...these ‘enemies’ of Mine... bring them and slay them in my presence.”*

**These are those who reject the authority of the Lord Jesus to save or to judge.**

*In light of this parable, what is the meaning of verse 26?*

*“I tell you that to everyone who has, more shall be given, but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away.”*

*What two things prompted  
the telling of this parable?*

- 1. Jesus was getting nearer to Jerusalem.*
- 2. The people “supposed that the kingdom of  
God was going to appear immediately.”*

*What is the singular point of the parable?*

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