

**CatholicMom.com Gospel Activity – Celebrating Our Catholic Faith**  
**Religious Education Lesson Plan Helpers by Laura Grace**

***Please note:** Some of our lesson plans contain links to Christian, non-Catholic resources. When preparing your lessons, we urge you to inform yourself on the teachings of the Catholic Church with respect to the Sunday gospel and readings. If you find links in any of the lesson plans which may be counter to the teachings of the Church, please notify [lisa@catholicmom.com](mailto:lisa@catholicmom.com). These lesson plan helpers are designed to assist you in pulling together creative ideas and activities to supplement your lesson plan, but are not designed to be catechetical in nature. Thank you for your continued prayerful support.*

**November 4, 2007**  
**Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Gospel - Luke 19:1-10**

## **Zacchaeus**

### **Activities**

catholicmom.com

[http://www.catholicmom.com/coloring\\_pages.htm](http://www.catholicmom.com/coloring_pages.htm)

Scroll down to Coloring Page, Mass Worksheet, Crossword Puzzle, Word Search

ecusa.anglican.org

[http://www.episcopalchurch.org/50534\\_50581\\_ENG\\_HTM.htm](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/50534_50581_ENG_HTM.htm)

Lesson Plans for Small Congregations

webelieveweb.com

[http://www.webelieveweb.com/home\\_proclaiming\\_faith.cfm?reading\\_id=124&language=eng&book=0](http://www.webelieveweb.com/home_proclaiming_faith.cfm?reading_id=124&language=eng&book=0)

Scroll down to Gospel Reflection, Discussion Questions for the Gospel, and Proclaiming Faith Activities

calvarychapel.com

<http://children.calvarychapel.com/site/pdf/New/Curr216.pdf>

Lesson with memory verses, circle the correct words, true or false, fill in the blanks, puzzles, and color sheets.

daniellesplace.com

[http://daniellesplace.com/html/bible\\_themes\\_w-z.html#zacchaeus](http://daniellesplace.com/html/bible_themes_w-z.html#zacchaeus)

Crafts, games, and activities listed.

ebibleteacher.com

<http://www.ebibleteacher.com/children/lessons/zacchaeus.htm>

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Lesson with discussions, songs, crafts, games, questions, worksheets, memory work, etc.

msssbible.com

<http://msssbible.com/newtestament/zacchaeus.htm>

Zacchaeus with tons of resources for illustrating the story, coloring pages/activity sheets, crafts, and songs.

sermons4kids.com

<http://www.sermons4kids.com/big-or-small.html>

Big or Small- It Doesn't Matter At All object lesson.

childrensermons.com

[http://www.childrensermons.com/text/zacchaeus\\_text.htm](http://www.childrensermons.com/text/zacchaeus_text.htm)

Zacchaeus Repents object lesson.

Read story: "Zacchaeus" from (Snip-And-Tell Bible Stories by Karyn Henley, page 96 & 97). While reading the story do cut outs as the story unfolds. Then ask questions from below.

1. What did Zacchaeus do for a living? He was a tax collector.
2. Why did everyone not like him? He often took extra money and kept it for himself. He was dishonest.
3. Why could Zacchaeus not see Jesus? Because he was short.
4. What did he do so he could see Jesus? Climbed a tree.
5. Jesus taught Zacchaeus that what he did was wrong and to live in God's way so what did Zacchaeus do? He gave half of his property to the poor and he would give back four times the amount he stole from others.

textweek.com

<http://www.textweek.com/mlk/lk19a.htm>

Lectionary, Scripture Study and Worship Links and Resources

homiliesbyemail.com

[http://www.homiliesbyemail.com/leaf/cas/cas\\_10-31-04.pdf](http://www.homiliesbyemail.com/leaf/cas/cas_10-31-04.pdf)

Activity sheets, coloring pages, puzzles, etc.

### **Coloring**

pdxchurch.org

<http://www.pdxchurch.org/children/coloring/jesus7.jpg>

Zacchaeus climbed a tree to see Jesus.

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coloringbookfun.com

<http://coloringbookfun.com/jesus/originalimages/tax-man1.jpg>

Zacchaeus in a tree

sermons4kids.com

<http://sermons4kids.com/zacchaeus-colorpg.htm>

Zacchaeus the Tax Collector

sermons4kids.com

[http://www.sermons4kids.com/zacchaeus\\_jesus\\_colorpg.htm](http://www.sermons4kids.com/zacchaeus_jesus_colorpg.htm)

Jesus and Zacchaeus

### **Games**

I Spy (Zacchaeus Sees Jesus)- This lighthearted game engages students with the story of Jesus and Zacchaeus. It could be played indoors, outdoors, or while traveling. (The Encyclopedia of Bible Games for Children's Ministry, page 86).

Zacchaeus, Come Down!- Blow up balloon and tie it off. Remind the students that the people did not want Zacchaeus to be with Jesus and they grumbled. Using masking tape, mark spots on the floor that the student must stand on. Have one student stand on each marker and tell the students that they must stay where they are standing (they cannot move their feet) and they have to keep Zacchaeus (the balloon) from touching the floor. The teacher starts the game by saying, "Zacchaeus, Come Down!" and tosses the balloon up high in the air for the students who must try to keep Zacchaeus from touching the ground using their hands.

Forgiveness Frenzy- The Really Big Book of Bible Games, page 82.

### **Puppetry**

christiancrafters.com

[http://www.christiancrafters.com/skit\\_zacchaeus.html](http://www.christiancrafters.com/skit_zacchaeus.html)

Zacchaeus Puppet Skit

### **Puzzles**

missiontogether.org

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[http://www.missiontogether.org.uk/MT/MT14/MT14\\_Puzzle.htm](http://www.missiontogether.org.uk/MT/MT14/MT14_Puzzle.htm)

Word search, How Many Leaves Can You Count? Spot the Difference puzzles.

Zacchaeus Climbs a Tree- Count the items in each row, then write the number next to that row. Color the pictures, too. (Big Puzzles for Little Hands: Jesus' Life and Lessons by Carla Williams, page 56).

sermons4kids.com

[http://www.sermons4kids.com/zacchaeus\\_puzzle.htm](http://www.sermons4kids.com/zacchaeus_puzzle.htm)

Maze

biblewise.com

[http://biblewise.com/images/kids\\_korner/fun\\_games/2005/november/zacchaeus.pdf](http://biblewise.com/images/kids_korner/fun_games/2005/november/zacchaeus.pdf)

Jesus is going to Zacchaeus house. Which path will He take? (maze)

biblewise.com

[http://biblewise.com/images/kids\\_korner/fun\\_games/2005/november/the\\_little\\_man.pdf](http://biblewise.com/images/kids_korner/fun_games/2005/november/the_little_man.pdf)

Little Man in the Tree (maze)

biblewise.com

[http://biblewise.com/images/kids\\_korner/fun\\_games/2005/november/the\\_little\\_man\\_answers.pdf](http://biblewise.com/images/kids_korner/fun_games/2005/november/the_little_man_answers.pdf)

Little Man in the Tree (maze)- answers

365 Activities for Kids (do the Zacchaeus in the tree maze on October 23 or find the 10 differences puzzle on October 24).

sermons4kids.com

[http://www.sermons4kids.com/zacchaeus\\_search.htm](http://www.sermons4kids.com/zacchaeus_search.htm)

Word search

efreemb.ca

<http://www.efree.mb.ca/lectionarypuzzles/in-cwvx.htm#p31>

Word search puzzles

silk.net/RelEd

<http://www.silk.net/RelEd/PDF/zaccheus.pdf>

Crossword

## Quiz

gardenofpraise.com

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<http://gardenofpraise.com/bibl51.htm>

Zacchaeus fill in the blanks.

**Forgiving**

childrensministry.com

<http://www.childrensministry.com/Article.asp?ID=344>

All Clear object lesson- Use this message to teach children about how God has forgiven us.

christiancrafters.com

[http://www.christiancrafters.com/sermon\\_forgiveness.html](http://www.christiancrafters.com/sermon_forgiveness.html)

Sin and Forgiveness object lesson.

nurseslearning.com

[http://www.nurseslearning.com/courses/make\\_test.cfm?Coursekey=2248](http://www.nurseslearning.com/courses/make_test.cfm?Coursekey=2248)

Forgiving Attitude: A Way of Relating Exam- A short 12 question exam you can ask your students about forgiving.

queendom.com

<http://www.queendom.com/tests/minitests/fx/forgiveness.html>

The Forgiveness Test- Just how forgiving are you? This quick test will reveal how forgiving the students really are.

queendom.com

<http://www.queendom.com/tests/minitests/fx/grudge.html>

The Grudge Test- Do you hold grudges? Ask these questions to the students to find out.

beliefnet.com

<http://www.beliefnet.com/section/quiz/index.asp?sectionID=&surveyID=61>

How Forgiving Are You?- Ask the students these questions and see how forgiving they really are.

kidssundayschool.com

<http://www.kidssundayschool.com/Gradeschool/Objects/1object03.php>

God's Forgiveness object lesson. This Object Talk will help demonstrate the power of God's forgiveness over our sins, and how the Holy Spirit can melt away the barriers that keeps us from Him.

msscrafter.com

<http://msscrafter.com/miscellaneous/forgiveness.htm>

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Forgiveness with tons of resources for illustrating faith, Bible stories, coloring pages/activity sheets, crafts, and songs.

standards.dfes.gov.uk

<http://www.standards.dfes.gov.uk/schemes2/religion/rel5d/5dq5?view=get>

Why should Christians forgive? Lesson with activities.

### **Worksheets**

webelieveweb.com

[http://www.webelieveweb.com/documents/downloadables/parish/grade\\_2/g2\\_chapter\\_19.pdf](http://www.webelieveweb.com/documents/downloadables/parish/grade_2/g2_chapter_19.pdf)

Sharing God's Love- Fill the hearts with ways that you can share God's love with others.

comingtofaith.com

[http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/gradek/4300-W\\_039.pdf](http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/gradek/4300-W_039.pdf)

Jesus Teaches Us How To Love- Follow the path through the garden to reach "Love For Others".

comingtofaith.com

[http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/grade1/4301-W\\_131.pdf](http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/grade1/4301-W_131.pdf)

Forgiveness- Write the number of the sentence that matches each picture.

comingtofaith.com

[http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/grade1/4301-W\\_139.pdf](http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/grade1/4301-W_139.pdf)

Forgiveness- Color only the pictures that show forgiveness.

comingtofaith.com

[http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/grade2/4302-W\\_056.pdf](http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/grade2/4302-W_056.pdf)

A Forgiveness Story- Write a story about when you were forgiven. Draw a picture about your story.

comingtofaith.com

[http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/grade2/4302-W\\_066.pdf](http://www.comingtofaith.com/pdf/grade2/4302-W_066.pdf)

Celebrating God's Forgiveness- Color by letters.

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