

HOW MUCH YOU MATTER TO GOD

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4 FALSE WAYS WE JUDGE OUR WORTH

- BY _____ (How do I look?)
- BY _____ (What do I own?)
- BY _____ (What have I done?)
- BY _____ (How well am I liked?)

"Jesus was going through the city of Jericho. A man was there named Zacchaeus, who was a very important tax collector, and he was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but he was not able because he was too short to see above the crowd. He ran ahead to a place where Jesus would come, and he climbed a sycamore tree so he could see him. When Jesus came to that place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down! I must stay at your house today.' Zacchaeus came down quickly and welcomed him gladly. All the people saw this and began to complain, 'Jesus is staying with a sinner!' But Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, 'I will give half of my possessions to the poor. And if I have cheated anyone, I will pay back four times more.' Jesus said to him, 'Salvation has come to this house today, because this man also belongs to the family of Abraham. The Son of Man came to find lost people and save them.'" Luke 19:1-10 (NCV)

1. _____
"He was too short. . . . When Jesus came to that place, he looked up."
Luke 19:3, 5 (NCV)

"God never overlooks a single [canary.] And he pays even greater attention to you, down to the last detail—even numbering the hairs on your head!"
Luke 12:6-7 (MSG)

2. _____
"Jesus . . . looked up at Zacchaeus and called him by name! 'Zacchaeus!' he said."
Luke 19:5 (TLB)

"Can a mother forget her nursing child? Can she feel no love for the child she has borne? But even if that were possible, I would not forget you! See, I have written your name on the palms of my hands." Isaiah 49:15-16 (NLT)

3. _____

"[Jesus] said. 'Quick! Come down! For I am going to be a guest in your home today!'" Luke 19:5 (TLB)

"I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and eat with you, and you will eat with me." Revelation 3:20 (NCV)

4. _____
"All the people saw this and began to complain, 'Jesus is staying with a sinner!'"
Luke 19:7 (NCV)

"You've shown that you, too, are one of Abraham's descendants. Indeed, the Son of Man has come to seek and to save people who are lost." Luke 19:9-10 (GW)

HOW SHOULD I RESPOND TO JESUS?

"So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly." Luke 19:6 (NIV)

"So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully." Luke 19:6 (ESV)

THE RESULT

"Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, 'I will give half of my possessions to the poor. And if I have cheated anyone, I will pay back four times more.'" Luke 19:8 (NCV)

"Jesus said to him, 'Salvation has come to this house today.'" Luke 19:9 (NCV)

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