

Series: Reset

Title: Restore

Text: (Luke 19:1-10*)

I. Introduction:

A. An unusual designation – "the Son of Man"

1. Reminder of His common nature
2. His identity with the human race: (Heb 2:17)
3. Portrayal of His universal sympathies

B. Sympathies of Jesus expressed

1. Always expressed His love & concern for somebody personally.
 - a. Zacchaeus, a despised publican
 - i. By nature of his office an extortioner
 - ii. Representative of Roman oppression

C. Jesus' attitude toward Zacchaeus

II. Jesus' Attitude Toward Sinners

A. Some People's Attitude is Harsh & Severe

1. The woman caught in adultery (Jn 8:2-11)
Jesus had the right to Judge her.
Jesus Showed Mercy.

B. Some People's Attitude is Permissive:

1. Eli (1 Sam 2:12-36)
Illus: "Boys will be Boys"

C. What is your Attitude Toward Sinners?

- Are you Merciful?
Are you Permissive?

D. Jesus attracted vile sinners to listen to Him:

(Lk 15:1)(Matt 9:9-11) Publicans were drawn to him.
(Jn 3:14-15) Jesus said He would draw all men.

Jesus Interacted with them to Restore them: (Lk 19:10)

A. Gospel of Christ is Addressed to sinners: (Mk 2:17)

B. Christ's way of Redemption & Restoration is personal:

III. Jesus' Attitude in Action: (Lk 19:1-5)

A. **Jesus Passing through Jericho:** (Vs 1)

1. Despised man shut out by the crowd – Zacchaeus
 - a. Small in stature: (Vs 3-4)
 - b. Hated and despised: (Vs 2)

B. **Jesus Did Not Pass Him By:** (Vs 5-6)

1. Jesus did not despise him:
Jesus saw a man who needed God:
2. Jesus called his name
3. Jesus went to his house to dine with him

IV. Jesus' Attitude Brought a Blessing to his Home

1. Conversion of Zacchaeus: (Vs 8-9)(Rev 3:20)

V. The Ministry of Reconciliation/Restoration: (Gal 6:1)
(2 Cor 5:18-19)

We are to Be proactive and Initiate Reconciliation

(Matt 5:23-26) (Ps 69:4)

Do It for Jesus: (Heb 12:3-4)

(Matt 25:32-46) Jesus Takes it Personally
(Lk 19:10)
(Lk 10:36-37) *Go, and do thou likewise.*