

Zacchaeus Discussion

Remember that these monologues are essentially historical fiction, based on the Scripture but filling in plausible subjective details, both emotional responses and motivations. Your first task is to decide if they are reasonable.

Is it reasonable that Zacchaeus was bullied because of his short stature?

Can that have long term effects on personality, interpersonal relations and general outlook on life?

What positive things can be said about Zacchaeus' drive and ambition?

Why was he not satisfied with his life?

What drove him to at least want to see Jesus?

Was he probably hoping for more?

Why did Jesus call attention to Zacchaeus in a way that undoubtedly embarrassed him?

How did Zacchaeus likely feel about having Jesus come to his house?

What was the likely effect on the crowds?

What was the likely effect on the Pharisees?

How did Zacchaeus show genuine repentance?

Why did Jesus publicly declare that salvation had come to this house?

Do people seek money for reasons other than wanting to be wealthy?

Do people think about why they do what they do?

Do I?