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Salvation – Deliverance, preservation, freedom, liberation

*“Jesus said to him, ‘Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.’”
(Luke 19:9-10 NIV)*

1) Where Am I in This Story?

2) Where Do I Need Freedom?

*“‘...Return to me, and I will return to you,’ says the Lord Almighty. ‘But you ask, ‘How are we to return? Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. But you ask, ‘How are we robbing you?’ In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,’ says the Lord Almighty, ‘and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.’”
(Malachi 3:7b-10 NIV)*

3) What Am I Going To Do About It?



**Zacchaeus Encounters Real Freedom
Luke 19:1-10**

*“Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through.”
(Luke 19:1 NIV)*

**Two Questions: Where Is Jesus Going?
Where Is Jesus Coming From?**

*“A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus...”
(Luke 19:2a NIV)*

Zacchaeus – pure, righteous, innocent

“...he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy.”
(Luke 19:2b NIV)

“He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.”

(Luke 19:3-4 NIV)

“When Jesus reached the spot...”

(Luke 19:5a NIV)

Topos – the spot, a space marked off with a purpose

“When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, ‘Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.’”

(Luke 19:5)

Meno – to remain, to stay, to abide to take up residence continually

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

“All the people saw this and began to mutter, ‘He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.’ But Zacchaeus stood up...”
(Luke 19:7-8a NIV)

Harmartolos: sinner, devoted to sin, pre-eminently sinful, especially wicked – said specifically of men stained with definite vices or crimes

“But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, ‘Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.’”

(Luke 19:8 NIV)

Didomi – to bestow upon, to offer up as a gift

Apodidomi – to restore, repay

Stealing & Restitution Under Jewish Law

Category # 1

Crime of Stealing: Lev. 6 – Confess & Resolve
Restitution is: 20% Guilt Offering = 120%

Category # 2

Crime of Stealing: Exodus 22 – Caught Red-Handed
Restitution is: 2X = Double = 200%

Category # 3

Crime of Stealing: Ex. 22 – Consumed it or profited from it
Restitution is: 4X = 400%