



STORY ONE

TREE CLIMBING

Here are five ways that your family can explore more about the story of Zacchaeus:

1. Why not go outside and find a tree to climb?

Be careful!

And when you are sat in the tree try to remember as much of the story as you can and try to think how Zacchaeus might have felt before he climbed the tree, in the tree and after he climbed down from the tree.

2. Find a Bible and read through the story slowly from Luke 19:1-9 with someone in your family.

Have a go at re-telling the story with your family from three different viewpoints - from Zacchaeus' point of view and then someone in the crowd and then from the tree's perspective!

Imagine the smells, sights and emotion.

3. In the story Jesus invites himself round to Zacchaeus' house.

Help set the table for tea and set an extra space as if Jesus was going to come round.

When you're eating, imagine Jesus is sat there.

What would each of you ask him?

4. Zacchaeus' encounter with Jesus changes him.

How is he changed?

One of the things that happens, is that he becomes more generous. How can you as a family be generous today?

Think through some ideas and do one practical thing.

5. Having heard this story, why should we worship Jesus?

Using pens and paper draw a response to the story or write a short prayer thanking Jesus for who he is.