

Sermon Notes

Insights from Luke

#74 – “Restitution Personified” – Luke 19:1-10

I. Introduction

A. Luke’s writing has recently emphasized comparisons and contrasts in featured characters.

1. Key characters:

Two brothers of Luke 15

The Sinner & the publican, Luke 18

The independent rich young ruler & the dependent children, Luke 18

Nine lepers and the one, Luke 17

The unrighteous judge and the widow, Luke 18

2. Now compare and contrast...

a. The blind man at Jericho, Luke 18

b. New character – a wealthy tax collector, Luke 19

B. Today’s text: Luke 19:1-10

II. Exposition

A. Luke 19:1-4

1. Jericho – Edersheim’s remarks.

2. Tax collector

a. The sixth mention of tax collectors

1. Luke 3:12; 5:27-32; 7:29-34; 15:1; 18:10-13

b. Zacchaeus was a chief tax collector.

3. Small in stature, verse 3.

4. Desired a better look at Jesus.

B. Luke 19:5

1. “Hurry and come down” – Imperative!

2. Jesus stopped for him. Sovereignty of God.

a. J.C. Ryle.

C. Luke 19:6

1. The beginning of faith – personal trust.

D. Luke 19:7

1. Intense disapproval of the crowd – Luke 4:16-19

E. Luke 19:8-9

1. “Behold, Lord” – Transformation.

a. Romans 10:9-10

2. Repentance in action

a. Restitution

1. Exceeds maximum levels of the law.

a. Ex. 22:1; Num. 5:6-7

3. Behavior changing – You see something else, too!

Rich men c___ g___ through the e___ o___ a n_____.

F. Luke 19:10

1. This is why Jesus came into the world.

2. Note verbs – infinitive – expressing Jesus’ purpose

a. Save

b. Lost

c. MacArthur

III. Points for Reflection

A. Luke is drawing our attention to the need of faith and repentance.

B. Repentance is far more than being sorry for wrong doing.

C. What does repentance look like?

D. It is God alone who grants repentance.