

**Series: Christmas 2011**

**Sermon: Why Did Jesus Come to Earth?**

**Bible Verses: Luke 19:1-10**

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**Question: \_\_\_\_\_ did Jesus come to Earth?**

Matthew 5:20

For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

If I want to go to Heaven, I must \_\_\_\_\_ the Pharisees!

Luke 19:1-10

Zach was a chief tax collector. Tax collectors were considered \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in that culture.

*SCANDAL:* Jesus chooses to \_\_\_\_\_, and eat dinner, at Zach's house!

**ANSWER: Jesus came to Earth to \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Jesus came so people could \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e. know God).**

Zach \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus, and didn't just try to "be good."

Zach changed the way he lived, and started to \_\_\_\_\_, but it was \_\_\_\_\_ to knowing Jesus (this is called repentance)!

**PRACTICAL APPLICATION: I should \_\_\_\_\_ who Jesus is!**

How?

- \_\_\_\_\_ about Jesus' life in the \_\_\_\_\_
- Learn about Jesus at \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ to him through prayer