

WHY JESUS CAME

To seek and save

Luke 19:1-10

Prayer: Lord God, I'm lost and far from you, and want to come home. I'm sorry for going my own way. Thank you for sending Jesus to seek me and save me. I receive him now personally. Please help me to live a new life for him from this day on. Amen

Intro

- why am I / is he here?

Our condition

- lost hero

- lost zero

Jesus' mission

- to seek

- to save

Our response

- climb up to see Jesus

- come down to receive Jesus



Discussion questions

? what struck you most in this talk/ passage? What's the main thing you're going to take away?

? what do you make of the claim that we are spiritually lost? Can you see symptoms of this lostness in society / the lives of others / your own life?

? how does your response compare to that of Zacchaeus?

? some people seem to think that Jesus has come to condemn them rather than save them. Why do you think that is? Where might they have got this idea from?

? how could you help others this Christmas to 'climb up a tree' to get a better view of Jesus?