

PUT THIS MONEY TO WORK

Luke 19:1-27

Key Verse 19:13

"So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas.

'Put this money to work,' he said, 'until I come back.'"

Study Questions

1. Read verses 1-7. How is Zacchaeus described? Why was he not popular? Why did he want to see Jesus? What obstacles did he overcome in order to do so?
2. What was Jesus' invitation to him? Why? Why did the townspeople grumble? What does this tell us about Jesus? About the townspeople? Read verse 8. How did Zacchaeus respond? Why was he so ready to do this?
3. Read verses 9-10. Why did Jesus call him a son of Abraham? Why was Jesus so joyful about Zacchaeus' repentance?
4. Why did Jesus tell this parable? (11) In the parable, what did the man of noble birth do before leaving on his journey? (12-13) What was the purpose of his journey? What did he mean by "Put this money to work"?
5. What did each servant report? How did the king reward some? Why? Why did he call one servant wicked? How was he punished? What can we learn here about God? What does Jesus expect of his waiting disciples?