

55 – Luke 19:1-10 – No chance**No chance of salvation?**

... 100% clear that those seeking to make their way into the kingdom of God based in any part on their own efforts will fail completely.

... those who throw themselves 100% on the mercy of God who are justified

... impossible for man is possible for God.

... Jesus makes his way through Jericho we see God do the absolutely impossible

The story of Zac

... direct contrast to the rich young morally upright ruler in Luke 18:18.

... the walking example of the tax collector in Luke 18:9-17

... must stay at Zacchaeus' house

v 8, Zac is now speaking to Jesus and does exactly the opposite of the rich young ruler from ch 18.

... he has been impossibly saved by Jesus.

v 9 ... outward change concerning his wealth has been driven by an inward change of heart before God.

v 10... this is his mission... to seek and save the lost.

For us today

... get the story of Zacchaeus wrong.

Firstly we try to down play the radical change the gospel brought to his life.

Secondly ... turn it into a salvation by works event.

... how should God's word transform us today?

The heart of God

... praying for people to know Jesus?

... be prepared to share what Jesus has done to save us.

1 peter 3:15... give a reason for the hope that we have.

Reflection: Write down one thing God word is saying to you

Using wealth as God's people

... should not get our money by cheating people.

... how has the gospel reoriented your grip on your wealth and your pursuit of wealth?

... keep drifting back to living for our wealth.

Qu: If you have gained your money legitimately and honestly, what does this passage say to you about your wealth and the heart you are to have for the lost?