

Participant's Guide 2

Zacchaeus

I. Celebrating Christ as Alpha and Omega

Revelation 21:6 "And he said unto me, It is Done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, I will give unto him, that is athirst of the fountain of water of life freely." First and last letters of the Greek alphabet. God is in full control of the past, present and future. Andrews Bible.

II. Read this week's story: Zacchaeus ; Luke 19: 1-10 ; and Desire of Ages 61

III. For Meditation

a. Luke 19: 8-9; Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold."⁹ And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham;

b. In Mark 10: 23 Jesus said it was hard for rich men to enter the kingdom of God. Was Zacchaeus an exception or how do you account for his immediate response to Christ? _____

c. Desire of Ages pages 555, 556 No repentance is genuine that does not work reformation. The righteousness of Christ is not a cloak to cover unconfessed and unforsaken sin; it is a principle of life that transforms the character and controls the conduct. Holiness is wholeness for God; it is the entire surrender of heart and life to the indwelling of the principles of heaven. DA 555.6

d. When you think of the righteousness of Christ do you think mainly of His righteousness imputed or imparted? Explain what each one means _____

e. Explain further, "No repentance is genuine that does not work reformation." _____

f. If Zacchaeus became a member of your church, would you trust him? _____

IV. Prayer this week:

1. Five People who need your prayer support;
2. Your Church in its witness for Christ;
3. Your Family it will be close and united.
4. The leaders of your church, conference, city and province.
5. That you will have the courage to leave your comfort zone to fulfill a calling from God.