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JESUS CALLS YOU BY NAME

LUKE 19:1-10

"He knows your name. He knows all about you. And He has called you."

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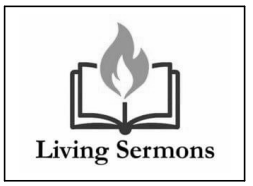
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FOREWORD

Does God really know me? In this message, preached in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Billy Graham answers that question through the story of Zacchaeus, the rich, despised tax collector of Jericho who climbed a sycamore tree to see Jesus and heard the Lord call him by name.

Dr. Graham walks through the obstacles that kept Zacchaeus, and keep us, from Christ: pride, idolatry, worldliness, secret sins and self-righteousness. Then he turns to Jesus Himself, who called Adam, Abraham, Peter, Matthew and Saul by name, and who still calls each of us personally and urgently. He closes with three plain steps: repent, receive Christ by faith, and follow Him.

His tone is warm and direct, with humor, pastoral honesty and a sense of urgency: “Make haste. Come while there’s time.”

In preparing this edition, we have preserved the preacher’s message and wording. We removed time stamps, trimmed a few repetitions that belong to the spoken word, arranged the transcript into chapters with subheadings, and corrected punctuation and capitalization so that it reads as a book.

As you read, listen for your own name. The One who called Zacchaeus down from the tree is calling you too.

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MAIN MESSAGE BEGINS HERE

CHAPTER 1

THE MAN IN THE SYCAMORE TREE

PASSING THROUGH JERICHO

Now, tonight I want you to turn with me to the nineteenth chapter of Luke's Gospel.

Jesus is passing through Jericho at this point in Scripture. A blind man cried out and said, "Jesus, Thou Son of David, have mercy upon me." And Jesus touched him, and he was healed. And now He is passing right through the middle of Jericho, and another incident happens at the same time.

> *And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was very rich. And he sought to see Jesus who He was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him: for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up, and saw him, and said to him, Zacchaeus, make haste, come down; for today I'm going to abide at your house. And he made haste, and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That He was gone to be the guest with a man who's a sinner. And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord: Behold, Lord, half of all my goods I'm going to give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore fourfold. And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, for as much as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.*
>
> **LUKE 19:1-10**

"The press" means the press of the crowd. That doesn't mean the media.

LOST FROM GOD

"The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

There are thousands of people here tonight that are lost. You're not lost from your parents so much, or lost from your friends. You are lost from God. You are separated from God. And Jesus has come to seek you out, as He sought out Zacchaeus.

CHAPTER 2

OBSTACLES IN THE WAY

A DESPISED MAN

Let me tell you the story as Jesus was passing through Jericho. Now, you see, Zacchaeus was a publican. That meant he was a tax gatherer, and he worked for Rome. He was rich. He was despised. He was a social outcast. The people didn't like the tax gatherers gathering taxes for a foreign country that dominated them.

If Jesus had considered public opinion, He would never once have glanced at Zacchaeus. But Jesus never considered public opinion. The Scripture says that "on all occasions Jesus made of Himself no reputation."

I imagine it had been many months since anyone had voluntarily crossed into Zacchaeus' house. A man of great riches, but he was a lonely man. He was a hated man. He was avoided by almost everybody in town.

CURIOSITY

But his curiosity got the best of him. He wanted to see Jesus. He had possibly heard about Jesus, and he had heard them call Him many names. Some people had called Jesus a devil. Some said He was a fanatic. Some said He was a blasphemer. Some said He was a heretic. Some said He was a prophet. Some said He was an impostor. And many said that He was actually the Son of God. So naturally, Zacchaeus had a tremendous curiosity to see Jesus.

THE PRESS OF THE CROWD

But, you see, to get to Jesus he had some obstacles in the way. There was the press of the crowd, a big crowd, and he was a little fellow, a very small man. Because everybody wanted to get close to Jesus, pushing his way through that crowd was almost an impossibility.

And many of you would like to know Jesus. You'd like to get close to Him, and you'd like to have Jesus in your heart, and you'd like to have salvation, but you face many obstacles.

CHAPTER 3

PRIDE AND IDOLATRY

THE SIN OF PRIDE

What are they? Let's just list a few of the obstacles that you face.

First is pride. The Bible teaches that pride keeps more people from Christ than any other sin. The Bible says, "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble." The Bible says, "If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise." Jesus said we are to become as little children to be converted.

If you're to get close to Christ and have Christ in your heart, you may be wise, but you must become a fool. You must become as a child. You see, we're all proud, and we don't like to humble ourselves.

THE MODERN GODS

And then the second thing that keeps us from Christ is idolatry. All the way through the Scriptures, idolatry is mentioned as keeping more people from God than almost any other sin.

Our idolatry is very unique in our day, because we worship ourselves. We worship man. Whether we realize it or not, we're worshiping ourselves, the things that we've created, the things we've made with our hands. Whether it's a television set or a new automobile, materialism: all of these things have become gods and goddesses. Sex has become a goddess just as much as it was in the days of Ephesus or in the days of Rome. These are the modern gods. And the Scripture says that idolaters "shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death," in Revelation 21:8. God hates idolatry.

CHAPTER 4

THE SNARE OF THE WORLD

GAINING THE WHOLE WORLD

And then the third thing which may keep some of you from Christ is worldliness. “For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?” said Jesus in Matthew 16.

There are many of you that are selling your soul, your eternal spirit, for a little bit of this world. But Jesus said, suppose you got all the oil of the Middle East, all the gold in South Africa, all the diamonds in Holland, all the wealth of the whole world—all the music, all the culture, all the philosophy, all the psychology of the world—you had it all, and lost your soul? It wouldn’t be worth it. And yet, you are losing your soul for just a little bit of it.

Now, that doesn’t mean that you’re not to have money. Nowhere in the Bible does God condemn a wealthy man, unless he misuses it or unless he got it the wrong way. Then he’s condemned.

FRIENDSHIP WITH THE WORLD

But the Bible says, “Know ye not that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.”

Now, what does that word “world” mean? It’s *cosmos*. It means a world system dominated by evil, that evil part of the world’s system in which we live. Friendship with that means enmity with God. And God says, “Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing.”

Worldliness in the New Testament meant the relationship that people had with their social environment. We're to be separated from the evils of the world.

LEAVING THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT

Now, perhaps you saw those huge pictures on television a few months ago of some forty whales who, for some unknown biological reason, beached themselves and died. They left their living environment for one of death.

And many of you have left the environment of living in the Scriptures and living for God, and gone out into the world, and your soul is dead toward God.

It's like the lemmings in Scandinavia. They band together, and for some unknown reason walk down into the ocean and die. You deliberately bring on your own spiritual death. You promote your own eternal death by going with the evils of the world round about you. And the world round about you squeezes you into its mold, and it becomes a hindrance to your coming to Jesus Christ.

IT IS NOT EASY TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Because the Bible says you're going to have to give up the wrong things that are in the world: the lust and the greed and the hate and the prejudice and the materialism. That part of the world that's wrong, you have to turn from when you come to Christ.

That's the reason it's so hard to follow Christ in the modern day. It's not easy to be a Christian. I'm not going to fool you. I would think it's more difficult to be a Christian right now in modern America or the modern Western world than in any other part of the world.

You see, to be a Christian in some parts of the Orient or some parts of the world, you have to really stand for Christ, and you have to suffer. But in a country where there's no suffering and no physical persecution, it's rather easy just to

slide along, really not knowing Christ, calling yourself a Christian but not really being a Christian—not a New Testament Christian. And there are thousands of people like that, who have gone to church all their lives and been baptized and confirmed, but still do not know Christ.

CHAPTER 5

SECRET SINS AND SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS

THE HIDDEN MAN IN YOUR HEART

And then another obstacle, the Bible says, is secret sins. The psalmist prayed, "Cleanse Thou me from secret faults." And Paul wrote to the Romans of "the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ."

You can keep no secrets from God. Your friends don't know anything about them. Your family may not even know. But you know. And God has been speaking to you about them.

It's like *The Incredible Hulk* on television. I think I've seen it once, maybe twice, but I read about it. And if I understand it correctly, he's always trying to get rid of the person inside of him. And perhaps you've been battling with the hidden man in your heart, with your secret sins.

Confess them to Christ tonight. Come to the cross and bring those secrets of your heart and lay them before Him and say, "Lord, here they are. I surrender."

PURE IN THEIR OWN EYES

And then self-righteousness is another thing that keeps people from Christ. "There is a generation," the Bible says, "that are pure in their own eyes, and yet they have not been washed from their filthiness."

Pure in our own eyes. Patting each other on the back. Saying we're good when actually we're bad. Saying we're good when actually we're sinning and breaking God's laws. That keeps us from Christ: self-righteousness.

CHAPTER 6

HE CALLS YOU BY NAME

A PERSONAL CALL

Now that we've seen the obstacles, let's look at Jesus.

It's a personal call. Jesus turns to Zacchaeus and calls him by name. He sees Zacchaeus up the tree. You see, Zacchaeus had climbed a sycamore tree and was out on the limb, sitting there watching Jesus. And all of a sudden the most unpopular man in town, the most hated man in town, the most sinful man in town, hears his name called by the great prophet, Jesus. And Jesus says, "Zacchaeus."

Can you imagine how startled he was that, out of all that crowd and those religious leaders, he, the worst sinner in town, was called by his name?

THE GOOD SHEPHERD CALLS HIS OWN

The Bible says Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He "calleth His own sheep by name, and leadeth them."

In Genesis we read that God came into the Garden of Eden personally to call Adam. He said, "Adam, where art thou?" And later He called Abraham. Abraham, Jacob, Moses, Joshua, Gideon, Samuel, David, Solomon: He called them all by name. Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel: He called them by name.

And then, when the Lord Jesus Christ came, He called His disciples by name. He went down by the seashore and He called out, "Simon Peter, Andrew, James, John." And from the receipt of custom He called another man who, like Zacchaeus, was a tax gatherer: "Matthew, come and follow Me." And he rose and followed Jesus immediately. And on the Damascus road He said, "Saul, Saul,

Saul, why do you persecute Me?" And on the isle of Patmos He said, "John."

HE KNOWS YOUR NAME

He calls you by name. What is your name? Jim, Mary, Susie, Peter? He has called you by name tonight. He knows your name. He knows all about you. And He has called you.

And He says, "Mary, get up out of your seat and come and receive Me tonight. I want to come into your house and into your heart." "Jim, you need Me. You know you need Me to help you, to forgive you, to take you to heaven. Get up out of your seat and come." He has called you by name.

CHAPTER 7

MAKE HASTE

AN URGENT CALL

He looked up in the tree and said, “Zacchaeus.” And it was an urgent call. He said, “Zacchaeus, make haste. Hurry. We don’t have long.”

And that’s what He says to you: hurry, make haste. If you’re going to come to Christ, come now. You may never have another moment like this. Nowhere does the Bible promise that tomorrow you can be saved. Today is the day of salvation. Now is the accepted time. There may not be a tomorrow for you.

"GOD SAVE US ALL"

There’s a little verse in your national anthem that sometimes I miss when I hear it sung, and it’s a beautiful thing:

O Lord our God, arise,
On Thee our hopes we fix,
God save us all.

Tonight that would be my prayer for you: God save us all. That’s why the Lord Jesus came: “to seek and to save that which was lost.” Today He’s urgently calling you by name.

FROM THE LIMB TO THE GROUND

And it was a successful call, because Zacchaeus did make haste. You know what he did? He didn’t wait to climb down the tree. He jumped! D. L. Moody, the evangelist of the last century, said that Zacchaeus was converted from the limb to the ground. And I expect that’s about true.

The rich young ruler came to Jesus. He came running to Jesus, making haste to get to Him, and fell down before Him. And he got to Jesus, but he couldn't pay the price. And he was lost, even though Jesus loved him, and Jesus talked with him and gave him precious time. Yet that young man never came to Jesus. But Zacchaeus, the great sinner, did come to Jesus.

A NIGHT WITH MATTHEW

And Jesus went to Zacchaeus' home. And you know what I think? I think Jesus probably took Matthew with Him. And I expect that Matthew and Zacchaeus got into a conversation late into the night, and Matthew told him about his own experience: how he too had been a tax gatherer, how he had been a sinner, and how Jesus had called him by name and said, "Follow Me."

And Matthew said, "I got up right then and followed Him, and I've never regretted one minute of it. He changed my life. He's given me assurance. He's blessed my family. He's brought our family together. Oh, I'd die for Him. I've given Him my life." And Zacchaeus heard that.

And I imagine Matthew told him that night, "You know, Zacchaeus, if you come to Jesus, you're going to have to make some restitution. You're going to have to change your whole way of living. And you're going to have to declare openly your allegiance to Jesus Christ."

We're to be in the world but not of it. We live in two worlds. We live in this world, but we're also citizens of another world, the kingdom of heaven. And our first allegiance is always to the kingdom of heaven. Yes, I imagine Matthew told him all of those things.

CHAPTER 8

THIS MAN RECEIVETH SINNERS

BEYOND HUMAN REASON

What was the result? The result was that Zacchaeus received Christ.

Now, receiving Christ involves an act of faith beyond mere human reason. The Bible says, “The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.” In other words, a natural person like you just cannot reason his way into the kingdom of God. You cannot reason your way to Christ.

I don’t imagine Zacchaeus sat down and went through all the philosophy and all the theological debates about Jesus. He just joyfully received Him by faith, simply, like a little child. And Jesus received him and forgave him.

You see, Christ is knocking on our heart’s door tonight. He’s asking people like you to receive Him. And they accused Him by saying, “This man receiveth sinners.”

THE PASSWORD AT HEAVEN’S GATE

Are you a sinner? Have you broken God’s law? I’m a sinner. Are you? Sure you are. He receiveth sinners. Isn’t that a wonderful thing?

And if they should ask me at the gates of heaven when I die, “What is the password?” I’m going to say, “I’m here by the grace and the mercy of God, because of what Jesus Christ did on the cross. I’m not here by any good works Billy Graham ever did.”

I'm not going to heaven because I've preached in a big stadium full of people like this tonight. I'm not going to heaven because I've read the Bible. I'm not going to heaven because I've prayed. I'm not going to heaven because of a wonderful Christian wife and five Christian children. I'm going to heaven because of the grace and the mercy of God.

I'm a sinner. I deserve judgment; I deserve hell. I'm going because of Christ. I have received Christ. I've let Him come into my heart, and I've come to the cross. He's forgiven my sin. I have eternal life. I know I'm saved tonight. I know where I've come from. I know why I'm here. I know where I'm going. And if He should come tonight, I'm ready.

Do you know that? Are you sure about that? This Man receiveth sinners.

LIFE WITH A CAPITAL L

"But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become sons of God, even to them that believe on His name."

You receive Him and let Him come into your life, and you'll find what it means to be joyful. Without Christ to fill that empty void in your life, nothing else satisfies. Sex doesn't do it. Drugs don't do it. Power, popularity—all of that is nothing. Christ is everything.

And then, when you have Christ, you're ready to live here and now: life with a capital L, when you really know Christ as your Savior. Yes, Zacchaeus received Christ joyfully.

CHAPTER 9

CONFESSING CHRIST OPENLY

BEFORE THE WHOLE TOWN

And notice another thing: Zacchaeus openly confessed Christ, publicly. He stood in front of all of his friends and the whole town and he said, "I've been wrong. I've been a sinner. I'm ready to restore everything I ever did, if necessary—whatever it takes. From now on I'm following Jesus Christ. He is my Lord and He is my Savior. He came to seek and to save me in this town of Jericho."

He came to Halifax in the form of this crusade to seek and to save you. And He has called you by name, and He says, "Make haste. Come while there's time."

CONFESS THE SON

Because, you see, the Scripture says, "Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: he that confesseth the Son openly hath the Father also." Also the Scripture says, "Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, dwelleth in him, and he in God." And Jesus said, "If you deny Me before men"—if you deny Me publicly—"I'll not confess you before My Father which is in heaven."

You see, Jesus Christ hung on the cross publicly, in front of hundreds of people, dying, bleeding for you. And He asks you to receive Him publicly. And I'm going to ask you to do that in a moment.

CHAPTER 10

THREE THINGS YOU MUST DO

REPENT

There are three things you have to do. Listen to this, so you can never stand at the judgment and say, "I never knew."

First, you must repent of your sin. How do you repent? The word repent means to change your mind. It means to turn. You're going in this direction in your life; you turn around and start in a new direction.

Now, you may not be able to turn by yourself. In fact, you can't. You have to say, "Lord, help me to turn. Help me to repent." It means that you're willing to let Christ come into your life and help you change your whole pattern of living, your lifestyle, everything, if necessary.

RECEIVE HIM BY FAITH

And then the second thing: by faith you receive Him. Now, that word faith may cause you to stumble. It means that you commit, that you surrender your total life to Jesus Christ. You're not trusting any other god. You're not trusting any other religion. You're not trusting anything but Jesus Christ, and Him alone, to save you. That's faith: total commitment to Christ.

FOLLOW HIM

And then, thirdly, you're willing to follow Him. You're willing to be His disciple. Now, the word disciple means learner, or discipline. It means disciplined learning. You're following Him, growing in the grace and knowledge of Christ by studying the Bible, by prayer, by witnessing, by attendance at church.

You say, “Well, Billy, most of those things I’m already doing.” But do you really know Christ? Are you sure of it? If you’re not sure, if you’re not certain that Christ is in your heart tonight and that your sin is forgiven, He’s calling you by name. He sees you. And He says, “Make haste and come.”

CHAPTER 11

COME QUICKLY

THE HOLY MOMENT

I'm going to ask you to get up out of your seat right now, hundreds of you from everywhere, as we've seen every night. Get up out of your seat and come and stand in front. And say by coming, "I want to come to the cross by faith tonight, and I want my sins forgiven. I want to know that I have eternal life. I want to know I'm going to heaven."

You get up and come right now, quickly, and stand here. If you're with friends or relatives, they'll wait. And after you come, I'm going to say a word to you and have a prayer with you. And we'll give you some literature to help you in your Christian life. And then you can go and join your friends. But I'm going to ask no one to leave the stadium now, at this holy moment.

Everyone in an attitude of prayer, as people are already coming. You get up and come right now too. God is calling you by name. Jesus is looking in your direction, and He knows your heart, and He says, "Come." You get up and come quickly. We're going to wait.

THE INVITATION HYMN

Just as I am, without one plea,
But that Thy blood was shed for me,

(Announcer) As hundreds are responding to Mr. Graham's invitation to make a public commitment to Jesus Christ, you can make that same commitment right where you are. Just pick up the phone and call the number you see on your screen. Special friends are waiting to talk with you and pray with you about this most important decision.

I come, I come.

YOU TOO ARE LIKE ZACCHAEUS

You that are watching at home, or in a bar, or in a hotel room, wherever you are: by television you have been able to see that there are hundreds of people here in Halifax, Nova Scotia, coming to commit their lives to Jesus Christ. You too are like Zacchaeus. And Jesus is calling you by name, and He's saying, "Come. Make haste." Make your commitment where you are now. And be sure and go to church next Sunday. God bless you.

CLOSING WORDS

(Closing Announcement) If you just prayed that prayer with my father, or if you have any questions about a relationship with Jesus Christ, why don't you call the number on the screen. There will be someone there to talk with you, pray with you and answer those questions. And remember, God loves you! If you would like to commit your life to Jesus Christ, please call us right now, toll free at 1-877-772-4559. That's 1-877-772-4559. Or you can write to us at: Billy Graham, 1 Billy Graham Parkway, Department C, Charlotte, NC 28201. Or you can contact us on the web 24/7 at peacewithgod.tv. We'll get the same helps to you that we give to everyone who responds at the invitation.

On behalf of Franklin Graham and the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, thank you for watching and thank you for your prayers.

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ABOUT THE SPEAKER

William "Billy" F. Graham Jr. (1918–2018) was raised on a dairy farm in Charlotte, North Carolina. In 1934, at age 15, he made a commitment to faith during a revival led by Mordecai Ham. He was ordained in 1939, graduated from Florida Bible Institute in 1940, and earned a B.A. from Wheaton College in 1943, where he married Ruth McCue Bell.

After pastoring in Illinois and serving as the first full-time evangelist for Youth for Christ International, Graham was vaulted into national prominence by the 1949 Los Angeles Crusade. This event launched decades of global outreach, including historic, extended crusades in London (1954), New York City (1957), Seoul (1973), and Rio de Janeiro (1974). Overall, he preached live to nearly 215 million people in over 185 countries and territories.

In 1950, he founded the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA). Through BGEA, Graham hosted the syndicated *Hour of Decision* radio program for over 60 years, published *Decision* magazine, and authored 33 books—including bestsellers such as *Angels: God's Secret Agents* (1975) and his 1997 autobiography, *Just As I Am*.

A counselor to U.S. presidents, Graham appeared on Gallup's "Ten Most Admired Men in the World" list a record 61 times. His honors include the Presidential Medal of Freedom (1983), Congressional Gold Medal (1996), and an Honorary Knighthood (2001). Following his passing in 2018 at age 99, he lay in honor in the U.S. Capitol Rotunda, and a bronze statue of him was added to the U.S. Capitol in 2024. Billy and Ruth raised five children, 19 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren, and nine great-great-grandchildren.

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