

Assembly (3rd and 4th Class)

Based on Term 2 Lesson 6 Log On

God's love counts us in

Songs: Jesus loves me, Zacchaeus was a very little man, Will you come and follow me

You need: to have taught the lesson (6) about Zacchaeus

To have the poem prepared for individual/ chorus reading

Prayers written/ read by children

Narrator 1	Last week in R.E. we heard a story about a man called Zacchaeus
Narrator 2	In fact - Zacchaeus is here today to tell us about himself
Narrator 1	Welcome Zacchaeus. Bring us back to the beginning please
Zacchaeus	Thanks for having me here today. Back to the beginning? I was a tax collector for the Roman government. I went from person to person and collected taxes from them. I wasn't always honest and sometimes I took more than I should have.
Narrator 2	Not an enjoyable job. I'd say you weren't popular
Zacchaeus	That's an understatement. Everyone hated me.
Poem Verses 1-5 p. 130	The poem could be read by 5 people or by 5 groups
Narrator 1	So they didn't like you. So what happened that day?
Zacchaeus	Jesus came to town. Everyone was so excited. There were crowds everywhere. I wanted to see him but I'm small and no one would let me through. So I climbed a tree.
Narrator 2	Were you scared? Cross? Sad?
Zacchaeus	Just determined to see Jesus
Poem verses 6-8 p. 130	The poem could be read by 3 people or 3 groups
Narrator 1	What happened next?
Zacchaeus	Jesus came past...he stopped... he looked up... he said
Jesus	Hurry down Zacchaeus because I must stay in your house tonight.

Zacchaeus	Everyone started grumbling but I got down. I was thrilled.
Poem verses 9-12	The poem could be read by 4 people or 4 groups
Zacchaeus	That's the end of the story really. Jesus came to my house and life changed for me. Jesus changed me.
Poem verse 13	Read by 1 person or group
Narrator 2	So that's your story Zacchaeus. A changed man... with friends.
Narrator 1	Zacchaeus gave half he owned to the poor and paid back anyone he had cheated.
Prayers	Children's own prayers or prayer p. 130
Narrator 2	Thank you for listening to our Assembly today and a special thank you to our guest Zacchaeus.

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