

Yr 2 Parents' Cheat Sheet
32nd Sunday Post-Pentecost

1. Why did Zacchaeus climb the tree?

To see Jesus and to get closer to him. This can spawn a discussion about the things in our life that could stop us from being close to Jesus. Zacchaeus was small but that didn't stop him. We could be busy or tired, or sad or angry about things that happen to us, or we could think that God might not love us, but we should always remember that he is there just like Jesus, telling us to come down from the tree and be closer to him.

2. What happened when Zacchaeus realized that Jesus loved him and forgave him for the bad things that he had done?

Zacchaeus became a better person. When he let Jesus love him then he was able to be more loving to others. This can happen in our lives. We need to try to get close to God so that he can change us from the inside out!

3. What could we do as a family to get to know Jesus more every day?

One of the best ways to get closer (get to know Jesus) is to read his book - the Bible. Maybe you can try to read some of it together every night before bed (You might want to invest in a children's Bible). As parents, you could read Scripture together after the children are in bed or before they wake up in the morning.

Could you add more prayer into your day? Perhaps as you drive to and from school. Could you download Scripture or prayers and listen when you are in the car together or at supper? Perhaps you could watch "Jesus movies" together.

Another way to get to know Jesus is to spend more time with people that love him and learn from their words and actions.

Brainstorm together what might work for your family.