

Jesus: Our Lord

(2 Corinthians 4:5)

- Introduction:
1. (2 Peter 3:18) Lord and Savior.
 2. (2 Corinthians 4:5) Jesus is Lord; we are bond servants.
 3. (1 Corinthians 4:1-5) Under-rowers.
 4. If Jesus is our Lord, we are going to work at becoming like him.
 5. (Romans 8:29).
 6. Let's examine one way we need to become more like our Lord: Our Vision!

I. Jesus, Simon, and the Sinful Woman

- A. (Luke 7:36-50).
- B. Jesus was invited to dinner at the home of a Pharisee, named Simon (7:36,40).
- C. A sinful woman crashes the dinner and makes a scene over Jesus (7:37-38).
- D. Simon thought to himself that if Jesus were a prophet, he would know what kind of woman was fallen down before his feet (7:39).
- E. Jesus knows Simon's thoughts and asks him a question (7:40-43).
- F. Then Jesus asks Simon an intriguing question, "Do you see this woman?" (7:44).
- G. All Simon could see was a sinful woman; whereas Jesus saw so much more.
- H. That's what the perspective of Jesus will do to you.
- I. It will make you kinder, more compassionate, and more longsuffering.

II. Jesus and Zacchaeus

- A. Who Was Zacchaeus
 1. Zacchaeus was a tax collector.
 2. Because of his job, he had to be a social outcast.
 3. Not only did Zacchaeus have a job that people thought was contemptuous, but he also would have been an easy target for verbal abuse because of his short stature.
- B. While others rejected Zacchaeus, Jesus went to his house, and brought salvation to him.
- C. Lessons We Can Learn From A Zacchaeus
 1. Zacchaeus teaches us to look past the superficial (James 2:1-9)?
 2. Zacchaeus teaches us compassion.
 3. Zacchaeus give us an opportunity to be like Jesus.

- Conclusion:
1. Friends, let's stop looking at the world through our myopic or near-sighted eyes.
 2. If we're going to sing, "Oh To Be Like Thee" then we need to start putting it in practice (Luke 4:46).