

## OCTOBER HERO OF THE MONTH:

# ZACCHAEUS



**Name means:** Pure

**Did you know?** Zacchaeus was a wealthy tax collector, a profession that was looked down on by his fellow countrymen.

**Startling facts:** Picture this: A huge crowd has gathered to hear Jesus. Zacchaeus knows there's no way he'll get a look at Jesus—he's too short. But he doesn't want to miss out on this opportunity. So he climbs a tree to catch a glimpse of this man everyone's talking about.

When Jesus approaches, He sees Zacchaeus perched in the tree, and—on their *first* meeting—He calls Zacchaeus by *name*: "Zacchaeus," He says, "I'd like to stay at your house." Read the full story in Luke 19:1–10.

**Coollest trait:** Zacchaeus found a way to overcome his lack of height in order to see Jesus. But what's more, after meeting Jesus, Zacchaeus decided to give half of his wealth to the poor.

**You can too:** Chase after the worthwhile things in life.

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