

Series: “Spiritual Assassins”

TEXT: Proverbs 23:20-21 *“Do not join those who drink too much wine or gorge themselves on meat, for drunkards and gluttons become poor, and drowsiness clothes them in rags.” (NIV)*

TITLE: The Spiritual Assassin of Gluttony

INTRO: Gluttony is a “Spiritual Assassin” because it is self-destructive

Plato said, *“a good person is one whose appetites are under the control of his will, and whose will is under control of his mind.”*

Socrates said, *“evil men live that they may eat and drink, good men eat and drink that they may live.”*

A. The D_____ of Gluttony:

Gluttony is the unrestrained indulgence of the physical appetite with respect to eating and drinking. The sin of gluttony is not food or drink, but the appetite.

B. The D_____ of Gluttony: Ezekiel 16:48-49

C. The D_____ of Gluttony: Proverbs 23:21 Proverbs 28:7

Esau - **Genesis 25:30-34; Hebrew 12:16**

Eli’s Sons - **1 Samuel 2:12-17**

Israel - **Numbers 11:32-33**

Prodigal living - **Luke 15:11-14**

Gluttons - **Deuteronomy 21:20-21** (The Law of Moses)

D. The D_____ of Gluttony:

Gluttony abuses the purpose that God has for our body.

- Our bodies are the temple of the Holy Ghost - **1 Corinthians 6:19**
- Our bodies are to glorify God - **1 Corinthians 6:20**
- Our bodies are to be living sacrifices - **Romans 12:1**
- Our bellies are not our God - **Philippians 3:18-19**

E. The Defeating of G_____:

1. Discipline your body – **1 Corinthians 9:27**
2. Submitting to the controlling power of the Holy Spirit - **Ephesians 5:18**
3. Mortify the things of your flesh - **Romans 8:13; Colossians 3:5;**
4. Don’t yield your body to sin but to God – **Romans 6:12-13**
5. Live by spiritual food and not physical food only – **Matthew 4:4**
6. Go to God in prayer – **Matthew 7:7-11**
7. Let your consumption be to the glory of God – **1 Corinthians 10:31**

TEXT: **Luke 19:9-10** “*And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.*”

TITLE: THE POWER OF JESUS CHRIST

INTRO: All of us have some good thing and some bad things about us, but what we need most in our lives is the power of Jesus to save us and transform us.

- **The name Zacchaeus means,** “pure, innocent, or righteous one”
- **The Word of God tells us some things about Zacchaeus**

Substance	vs.2
Status	vs.2
Stigma	vs.2
Stature	vs.3
State	vs.7

1. The Power of His A_____ – Luke 19:1-4

- Mothers brought their children to Him – **Mark 10:13-14**
- Children came to Him – **Matthew 19:13-14**
- Sinners came to Him – **Luke 15:1**
- Men followed Him – **Luke 5:11,28**
- Mary loved Him – **John 12:3**
- Soldiers were mesmerized by Him – **John 7:46**
- The Centurion confessed Him – **Luke 23:47**
- The people wondered at Him – **Matthew 15:31**
- Pilate was astonished by Him – **John 18:33-38**
- The Samaritan praised Him – **Luke 17:15-16**
- The Shepherds worshipped Him – **Matthew 2:11**
- Martha served Him – **Luke 10:38**
- The delivered demonic wanted to be with Him – **Mark 5:18**
- The people gathered unto Him – **Mark 5:21**

2. The Power of His I_____ – Luke 19:5-6

The Lord S_____! Luke 19:5a “*And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him*”

- “He saw” the faith of the four men and healed their friend – **Luke 5:20**
- “He saw” Matthew, and called him to higher service – **Luke 5:27**
- “He saw” the bound woman and loosed her – **Luke 13:12**
- “He saw” widow casting her mites and commended her – **Luke 21:2**
- “He saw” Zacchaeus and saved him – **Luke 19:5**

The Lord K_____! Luke 19:5b “*and said unto him, Zacchaeus,*”

- He knows your heart **Matthew 9:4**
- He knows your thoughts **Matthew 12:25**
- He knows you **Jeremiah 1:5**

The Lord C_____! Luke 19:5c “*make haste, and come down; for today I must abide at thy house.*”

- He calls to salvation **John 6:44**
- He calls to rest **Matthew 11:28**
- He calls to self-surrender **Matthew 16:24**
- He calls us out of darkness into light **1 Peter 2:9**
- He calls to service **Matthew 4:19**
- He calls to eternal glory **1 Peter 5:10**

3. The Power of His S_____ – 19:7-10

Transformation: Luke 19:8 “*And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.*”

Salvation: Luke 19:9-10 “*And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.*”

