



“The Jesus Story: The One Everybody Can Know”

Luke 19:1-10

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XXXIII The Hound of Heaven! (Luke 19:1-10)

A. How was Jesus prodding Saul? (According to Dr. John Stott... )

1. Jesus prodded Saul in his mind.
2. Jesus prodded Saul in his memory.
3. Jesus prodded Saul in his conscience.
4. Jesus prodded Saul in his spirit.

B. Consider three truths about Jesus, who is the Hound of Heaven.

1. Jesus, the Hound of Heaven, came to seek.
  - a. When Jesus entered Jericho, He was on a divine mission.  
(Mk 10:45)
  - b. God’s Word has a way of prodding and probing our sub consciousness. (Heb 4:12)
2. Jesus, the Hound of Heaven, came also to save. (Jn 4:47-50; II Cor 6:2)
  - a. Salvation comes at God’s appointed time.
  - b. He is the one who seeks us. We do not seek Him. (Rom 3:10; Jn 6:44)
  - c. Dei—this little word carries the meaning of “divine necessity.”
3. Jesus, the Hound of Heaven came to seek and to save the lost.
  - a. God loves sinners. (Lk 5:27-32)
  - b. We are all sinners.
  - c. What are we saved from? We are saved from the wrath of God!
  - d. Hell will be the place where God’s wrath will absorbed. (Matt 25:41; Jn 3:36)
  - e. Salvation brings us out from under the wrath of God. (Heb 10:31)
  - f. Zacchaeus received him joyfully. (Jn 1:12)
  - g. Zacchaeus took a stand for Jesus by calling him “Lord!”  
(Matt 16:15-16; Rom 10:9-10)

h. You become a child of God just like Abraham did—by faith.

(Gen 15:6; 3:29)

i. The lost are so important to God.

1). The Lost Sheep (Lk 15:3-7)

2). The Lost Son (Lk 15:20-24)

The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost!