



C'mon Down!

A certain tax collector was too short to see Jesus, so he climbed a tree. Jesus said, "Come down, Zacchaeus! I will stay at your house today!"

Learn more in Luke 19:1-10

First Confession Guide



1: Make an examination of conscience.

2: Go into the confessional and make the Sign of the Cross.



3: Say: "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. This is my first confession. These are my sins."

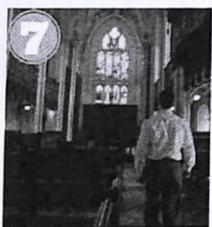


4: Tell your sins simply and honestly to Jesus, who acts through the priest.

After confessing your sins say: "for these sins I am truly sorry."



5: Listen to the advice the priest gives you and remember the penance he tells you to do.



6.: Say: The Act of Contrition

7: The priest will then let you leave. Sometimes, priests say: "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good," or, "The Lord has freed you from your sins. Go in peace."



Say: "Thanks be to God."

8: Do your penance in the chapel right away if you can! Then thank God for his mercy.

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ACT OF CONTRITION

MY GOD, I AM SORRY for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy. Amen.

Faith-Filled People



Catholic Identity

In the Liturgy of the Word at Mass, we hear the Word of God proclaimed. During the Second Reading, we often hear passages from one of Paul's letters. His messages help us to be better followers of Jesus.

Paul, the Missionary to All

During the time after Jesus' death, there was a Jewish Roman citizen named Saul. He hated Christians and persecuted them. One day, Saul was on his way to a city named Damascus to arrest some Christians.

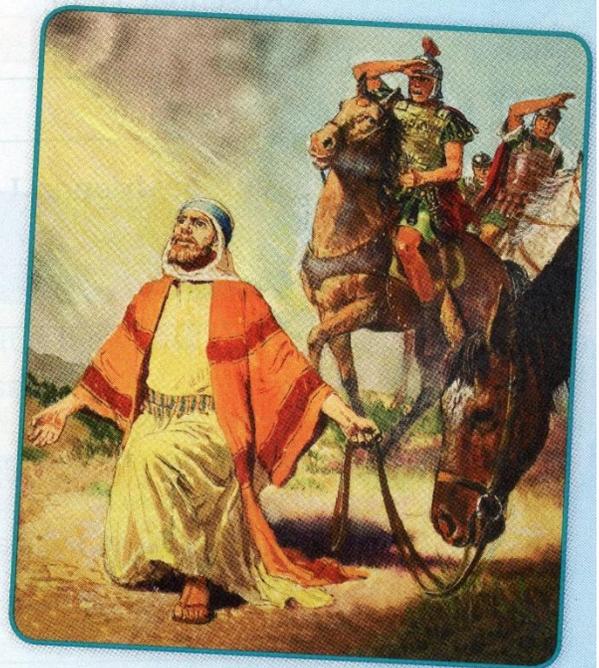
Suddenly a bright light blinded him and he fell to the ground. He heard a voice saying, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" Saul asked, "Who are you?" The voice answered, "I am Jesus, the one you are persecuting. Get up and go into the city and you will be told what to do."

When Saul got up, he could not see. He had to be led into the city. Three days later, the Lord sent Ananias, one of Jesus' disciples, to heal Saul. So he laid hands on Saul. Ananias said, "I am here to help you recover your sight and you will be filled with the Holy Spirit."

Immediately, Saul could see again. He was baptized, and soon began to preach that Jesus is the Son of God and the Messiah.

BASED ON ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 9:1-22.

Saul was also known as Paul and that is how he is known to us today. The Lord used Paul to spread the Good News of Salvation in Jesus Christ. He made missionary journeys to foreign lands to tell people about Jesus. He also wrote letters, called *epistles*, to encourage and instruct Christian communities. Saint Paul encourages us today to live as faithful followers of Christ.



The Road to Damascus
from the Story of Paul retold
by Clive Upton (1911-2006)



How was Saint Paul a faithful follower of Jesus?



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