

## VV STUDY NOTES: 13<sup>th</sup> August 2022

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### ***Events on the road from Jericho to Jerusalem***

Scriptures: Matt 20:17-35; Mark 10:32-52; Luke 18:15-43; Luke 19:1-10

#### **Zacchaeus: Luke 19:1-10**

- Why did Tax Collectors get such a bad reputation?
- Why did they get a reputation that was even worse than normal sinners?
- What was the role of a chief tax collector?
- Why does the evidence here, suggest that Zacchaeus was an honest person?
- What spiritual gems are contained in this account?

#### **Blind Men Receive Sight: (Matt 20: 29-34; Mark 10:46-52; Luke 18:35-43)**

- What stands out to you about this story?
- Do the varying accounts give us any interesting insights?

#### **Jesus Predicts his death for 3<sup>rd</sup> Time: (Matt 20:17-19; Mark 10:32-34)**

- Why did Jesus repeatedly tell the disciples he was going to be put to death?
- **“Three days later he will rise!”** How would the disciples fit this statement into their existing views of the coming kingdom?

#### **A Mother’s Request: (Matt 20:20-28; Mark 10:24-45)**

Did the uncertainty that existed with the impending death of Christ play a part in this event?

What does this peek into family dynamics, human desire for recognition, and the thirst for influence tell us about human nature?

What standards does Jesus teach about the responsibility of leadership?

What have been the outcomes of failure to take seriously what Jesus taught?

Do the Jewish Leadership of the 1<sup>st</sup> Century look better or worse, in the light of history?