

## **Lesson Plan 01-17-10**

**Greet students**

**Thanksgiving prayer after communion**

**Prayer for guidance and blessing for the class**

**Work on Saints worksheet**

**What is prayer? How does it help us in our spiritual growth?**

**What is our own rule of prayer?**

**How often and when do we pray?**

**How much do we desire to know God?**

**It has been said that when we desire God as much as air we will know Him. Story read about a person who wants to know God and a Christian takes him to the sea and holds him under water, then asks him what did you desire most when you were under water? Air that is the way we should desire God... then we will find Him**

**Read Gospel Lesson Luke 19-1-10**

**what were Zacchaeus' obstacles from seeing Jesus?**

**What are our obstacles from seeing Jesus?**

**Jesus calls Zaccheus by name and He will do the same for us, He knows us personally.**

**What is Zaccheus' reaction to Jesus' speaking to him?**

**What does he say he will do with his money?**

**Confession and repentance- how does Zaccheus do these two things which are vital to our growing closer to God?**

**Our trees to climb - How can we search higher levels to see Jesus?**

**1. Prayer**

**2. Bible and Liturgy**

**3. Repentance and restoration**

**4. Service**

**These are our trees to climb so that we too can see Jesus in our hearts and souls. These ideas for the lesson come from Anthony Coniaris, book "Gems From the Sunday Gospels" vol. 1**