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Remember: you do not have to do the entire study (you may not have time) – you can choose what questions you want to discuss.

## Read Luke 19:1-10

- 1. How does this passage show Jesus meeting Zacchaeus in Zacchaeus' own context?
- 2. Why is this important? What does this allow to happen?
- 3. "God is known in context." What does this statement mean? Why?
- 4. When have you met God within your own context? On what occasions/in what circumstances has God reached out to you within the shape and form of your own cultural context?
- 5. "God is knowable in every context." What do you think of this statement?
- 6. What does God being knowable in every context suggest about culture as an avenue through which God can reach us?
- 7. How might this have been missed or ignored in the past? What happens when culture is denied as a pathway for God to talk to us?
- 8. "The only thing that separates us from God is sin." How is this relevant for our discipleship?
- 9. What happens when we forget this?
- 10. How can culture be a way of enhancing discipleship?
- 11. How might our Aotearoa/NZ setting influence how we do discipleship together?

## Prayer points:

- Pray for the people of Afghanistan and Pakistan after the devasting earthquake last week.
- Pray for the ill and vulnerable in our communities.
- Pray for those affected by violence and conflict around the globe.