

LIFE GROUPS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Did you ever have a complex about being short, tall, skinny, heavy, thinning hair, big nose, etc.? Why do we sometimes become sensitive about these things?
2. Read Luke 19:1-4. What does the description of Zacchaeus communicate about what he was probably like? How do you like people to describe you (smart, successful, tough, good-looking, etc.)?
3. Does it appear that being wealthy through ill-gotten gain brought Zacchaeus fulfillment? What can we learn from Zacchaeus' search for Jesus?
4. What do Zacchaeus' actions indicate about his level of desire (even though he was wealthy) to see Jesus? Why do people in our world so often NOT want to hear about Jesus?
5. Read Luke 19:5-7. Why did Jesus go directly to Zacchaeus? What was Zacchaeus' response to Jesus asking to go to his house?
6. Why were some of the people murmuring about what Jesus did? How does murmuring happen today in the church as we labor to seek and save the lost?
7. Read Luke 19:8-10. Describe the difference between attempting to earn God's love versus acting in response to God's love. What do you see in the life of Zacchaeus when it comes to this comparison?
8. How would Jesus' words in verses 9 and 10 have rubbed the Jewish religious leaders of the day the wrong way? How does the church today struggle to accept and connect with the "worst" of sinners? What can you do to reach out to those you might be uncomfortable interacting with?
9. What does it mean to be "lost" in these verses? What do we do as a church to reach the lost?
10. Share how someone you know personally or at Westside who recently became a follower of Christ. What is the Lord calling you to in the work of seeking to save the lost?



Why Jesus? – Zacchaeus

Luke 19:1-10

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