

Own It – Surrender
Luke 19:1-10

Life Group Discussion Questions:

1. Who are the despised and rejected people in our society today?
2. **Read Luke 18:22-27.** How did the rich ruler respond to Jesus' command? Why do you think he reacted that way? Discuss what Jesus meant in verse 25.
3. **Read Luke 19:1-4.** Based on the descriptions of Zacchaeus in verses 2 and 3, what do we feel we know about him? If Zacchaeus was a character in a movie, would we be "rooting for him," or not – would he be a hero, a villain, or neither? Or is it hard to decide? Why is this?
4. What actions did Zacchaeus take, and what was his motivation?
5. **Read Luke 19:5-7.** In verse 5, Jesus looks up and addresses Zacchaeus by name. What does this tell us about Jesus? Compare Jesus' words to Zacchaeus to what he said to Lazarus in **John 11:43-44.**
6. Who seeks whom and who finds whom in this story. What difference does it make how we answer that question? Is what happens in this story similar to anything that happens today, in any way? How?
7. What did the crowd begin to murmur among themselves? What was Zacchaeus' reputation in Jericho?
8. **Read Luke 19:8-10.** What changes did Zacchaeus make in response to Jesus' interest in him? What does that say about Zacchaeus?
9. How does Zacchaeus' salvation despite his reputation and Jesus' statement in verse 10, "for the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost," encourage you?
10. When sharing our faith with someone, how much attention should we pay to their status and reputation?
11. What do you need to surrender in response to an invitation from Jesus?