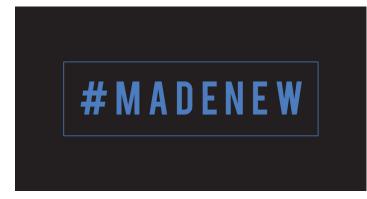


### TAKE HOME SHEET



Message: Speaker: Date: Baptism Celebration Weekend Rusty Coram February 23/24, 2019

After reading the story of Jesus pursuing Zacchaeus, answer these questions:

Why do you think Zacchaeus was interested in Jesus?

What did his wealth and power *not* provide for him?

Why was it important for Jesus to go to Zacchaeus' home?

What did Jesus risk in building a friendship and being associated with him?

How do you think the people in the community reacted when they began seeing Zacchaeus act with goodness, generosity and humility?

Switching gears, who do you know that might be like Zacchaeus in your life - outwardly disinterested in Jesus, but inwardly open?

Will you begin praying for them and looking for opportunities to get involved in their life, so you can help them discover *"the goodness of God"*?



## MESSAGE NOTES



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<sup>1</sup> Jesus entered Jericho and made his way through the town.<sup>2</sup> There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was the chief tax collector in the region, and he had become very rich. <sup>3</sup> He tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd. <sup>4</sup> So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree beside the road, for Jesus was going to pass that way. <sup>5</sup> When Jesus came by, he looked up at Zacchaeus and called him by name. "Zacchaeus!" he said. "Quick. come down! I must be a guest in your home today." <sup>6</sup> Zacchaeus quickly climbed down and took Jesus to his house in great excitement and joy. <sup>7</sup> But the people were displeased. "He has gone to be the guest of a notorious sinner," they grumbled. 8 Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, "I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!" <sup>9</sup> Jesus responded, "Salvation has come to this home today, for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham. <sup>10</sup> For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost."

Luke 19:1-10 (NLT)

Jesus used the word *lost* to describe people that <u>didn't know or follow</u> Him and were in desperate need.

Lost also describes something that is precious and valuable.

We have been given the <u>responsibility</u> and <u>privilege</u> of joining Jesus in His mission.

...for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

1 Peter 2:9 (NLT)

Who will I pray for and show the way?

Go to newhope.org and click on messages to download this week's Take Home Sheet or stop by Guest Services to pick one up.

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS: NLT – New Living Translation



We are so excited you're here with us this weekend, as we celebrate baptisms at all three of our services. Baptism means going public with your faith in Jesus by communicating to the world your heart-felt commitment to following Him. It's an important step to take for all of us...whether you are brand new to your faith or have attended church for many years. We hope you find as much encouragement, affirmation, and gratitude as we do when we hear the stories and celebrate the new life of those stepping forward to be baptized this week. If you think you are ready to join us for our next baptism weekend, email us at info@newhope.org.

## FIRST TIME GUESTS

gift. We're glad you are here!

We promise we're not going to make you stand up in front of everyone or track you down, but we'd love to know you were here today! Simply fill out your communication card in the seat back in front of you and check the "First Time Guest" box. On your way out, stop by Guest Services at the front doors and get your FREE welcome



We're honored when people choose to do church with us. New Hope is for anyone who wants to seek God - from those exploring if God even exists, to devoted Christ-followers. Wherever you are, you'll find we are committed to showing the love of Jesus and helping people establish a relationship with Him. We are casual, laid-back, and far from perfect. ALL are welcome!



Mission Muffins, part of Central Union Mission's Ready2Cook program, are here this **Sunday**. When you purchase their delicious baked goods, you are helping equip a homeless or unemployed individual return to society. Stop by the front lobby after the service!

Who knew doing good could taste so good?

## **DONATE BLOOD** EVERY TWO SECONDS SOMEONE NEEDS A BLOOD TRANSFUSION!

Sign up today for the New Hope Church Blood Drive and help save a life. Inova Blood Donor Services will be located in the main atrium. Make your life-saving appointment today!

Saturday, March 2nd • 11 am to 3 pm Sign up at bit.ly/NewHopeChurch0302 or call 1-866-BLOODSAVES Questions? Email kim.feld@newhope.org



#### **Infertility Connect Breakfast**

Saturday, March 2nd • 8 am – 9:30 am New Hope Church

Join with some other sisters for encouragement and hope! Our group is led by Phyllis Martin, LPC.

RSVP to Karenna.Rowenhorst@newhope.org

# Parent/Child Dedication



Our spring Parent/Child Dedication will be on Saturday, March 23rd at 10 am. Please stop by the children's check-in counter or Guest Services to pick up the Parent Booklet. We'll have Parent Information Meetings after each service the weekend of March 2/3. For more information or to sign up, please email **PCD@newhope.org**.



New Hope is collecting toiletry items to help those affected by the partial shutdown of the U.S. Government. All donations will be delivered to the Lorton Community Action Center (LCAC) and distributed to local families. There is a collection area in the front lobby of the church for you to drop off your items. Additionally, the Kid and Student Ministries of New Hope Church, along with the Silo Center Programs, will be collecting new, white crew socks for the Central Union Mission in D.C. for distribution to the homeless population. The socks will be collected during the month of February and can be dropped off in the front lobby. To make things a little easier, you can also purchase sock vouchers online at **bit.ly/nhcsocks**. We're only collecting through February 28th. Thanks!

Toiletry items being collected:

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Conditioner

- Deodorant
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Bar Soap

Please note: All items should be new and sealed. Thanks!



We love our volunteers and appreciate all they do for us. **This week**, we'd like to recognize Alice Trued. Alice faithfully serves on the Greeter/Usher Team. She steps up to fill vacancies on the team so often that she serves most weeks. **Thank you, Alice!** We appreciate you!

If you would like to serve on the Greeter/Usher Team or any other team, contact Carol Ann at **carolann.gregoire@newhope.org** and she will be happy to get you connected!



Are you a student in middle or high school dealing with difficult life issues like anger, fear, depression, self-harm, bullying, abuse, alcohol & drugs, food issues, divorce, grief & loss or more that interfere with your daily life?

The Landing is a safe place to talk about the hurts, habits and hang-ups that you face each day. This is the place to come when you feel no one else could

possibly understand what you are feeling or going through. The Landing is here to give you a safe place to be heard. We want to know YOU and what it's like to be YOU. We want to help you learn new coping skills and find healing.

The Landing meets at 7 pm on Tuesday nights at New Hope Church. Contact us at info@thingscansuck.com or call one of our ministry leads, Scott and Wendy, at 703.971.4673 ext 120.

