

THEME

Soul-Level Lost

ANCHORED TO TRUTH

1 Samuel 18:6-16, James 1:13-15, Luke 19:1-10, Luke 6:37-42, Proverbs 14:30, John 10:10, Ecclesiastes 4:4-6

CONVERSATION

- 1. Has Google/Apple Maps ever let you down?
- 2. What's the most lost you've ever been?
 - a. How'd you find your way back?
 - b. Are you quick or slow to ask for directions/help?
- 3. Explore the true story found in Luke 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and made his way through the town. 2 There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was the chief tax collector in the region, and he had become very rich. 3 He tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree beside the road, for Jesus was going to pass that way.

- 5 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."
- 6 Zacchaeus quickly climbed down and took Jesus to his house in great excitement and joy. 7 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!"
- 9 Jesus responded, "Salvation has come to this home today, for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost."
- 4. Jesus implied Zacchaeus was 'lost' from what we can see, why was he lost?
 - a. How would you define being spiritually lost?
 - b. How easy is it to get this kind of lost?
 - c. What are the most common ways we (college-age people) find ourselves soul-level lost?
 - d. What kind of things keep us from asking for help + finding our way to where we should be?
 - e. What does 'where we should be' look like?
- 5. When Zacchaeus 'found his way back' what was his response?
 - a. What do you think happened at dinner to bring this kind of change + response in Zacchaeus?
 - b. Talk about the importance of reconciliation (making things right).
- 6. Why were 'the people' so ticked at Jesus? What do you think was behind their displeasure?
 - a. Do you think comparison + jealousy played a role in their 'grumbling'?
 - b. Who was more lost the people who were ticked Jesus ate with Zacchaeus or Zacchaeus?
- 7. Who are you in the story?

RESPOND

Is there a situation in your heart or relationship in your life that needs to be made right? Is there anything
you could do this week to begin walking toward reconciliation in that situation?
Is there someone you care about who seems to be soul-level lost? Can God use you to help them find their way to Him?
Pray together