

## **ARE WE JUST COUNTED OR DO WE COUNT?**

READ (Luke 19:1-10)

- Q.** ARE there any names that stand out to you in your life and WHY do you think that might be?
- Q.** WHEN might you have felt more like a number, and less like a person and HOW did that make you feel?

Jesus called Zacchaeus by name (Vs.5)

- Q.** HOW do you think Jesus knew Zacchaeus' name If they had not previously met? (Psalm 139:13-16)
- Q.** WHY might Zacchaeus be more used to others calling him a name than by his name? (Vs.2 &7)
- Q.** WHAT difference do you think being called by his name and maybe not being called a name would have made to Zacchaeus? (Vs.6)
- Q.** WHY was Zacchaeus glad to have Jesus visit him?
- Q.** WHAT are some of the first things we would do if we knew Jesus was coming to our house, and would we take more time preparing our heart or our house?
- Q.** In what ways can past sins and guilt keep us from wanting to be in the presence of Jesus?

The religious leaders in this story didn't believe Zacchaeus deserved to have Jesus talk with him.

- Q.** HOW can we fight against an attitude that suggests some people are more deserving of grace than others?

The previous chapter (Luke 18:18-26) records of telling conversation Jesus had with another rich man.

- Q.** HOW does the way Jesus summed up his time with Zacchaeus (Vs.9 -10) give us the clue as to WHAT they might have been talking about?
- Q.** WHAT do you think the obvious change in Zacchaeus tells us about true Christian conversion? (Vs.8)
- Q.** HOW can we better give people the impression that to us at least, they are not just someone we count, but are truly someone who counts - (Vs.10) perhaps?

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