



Connect Group Discussion Guide

1. Two main goals of this sermon series are: that you would know you are significant and not invisible to Christ and that you would, in turn, help others embrace this important truth for themselves. This week, we learn that giving others time and space can be a benefit to them. In what ways have you given time to others or space to others to connect with you? How did this help them? What did this do for you?
2. In Luke 19:2, we learn of Zacchaeus' profession. It made him a religious and a social outcast because he was viewed negatively as a result of what his occupation represented. By collecting taxes over and above those required by the Roman government, he had extorted money from his own people. Have you ever met someone who was not liked by others? If so, how did their opinion impact your opinion of the person?
3. In verse 3, he climbed a tree to see Jesus because he was short. What does the fact that he climbed a tree tell you about his desire to see Jesus? What does it tell you about overcoming something that may seem to be a limitation?
4. Climbing a tree put him in a position of vulnerability. It was not an action befitting a Chief Tax Collector, but he did not care. He wanted to make time to see Jesus. Have you ever felt vulnerable or exposed in your heart when you went to Jesus in prayer? If so, how did that impact your prayer time?
5. In verse 5, Jesus invited Himself to stay Zacchaeus' house. Given his reputation, what does this tell you about Jesus's perception of Zacchaeus? When Jesus wants to speak to you, how do you know it? How do you respond once you know?
6. Verses 8—10 tell us the indicators of Zacchaeus' transformation. What do you think caused this transformation? How is this contrasted with the rich young ruler in Luke 18:13-23?
7. What are some ways you can practice giving time and space to others?

"Time and Space"

Week of January 31, 2021

Main Idea

***The time and space
you give to others is
more significant than
you know.***

Key Scripture Reference(s)

Read aloud:

Luke 19:1-10

Luke 18:18-23

Matthew 5:8

Your Faith in Action

What steps will you take this week to **show** others what you believe (in words, and in deeds)?

Mon: _____

Tue: _____

Wed: _____

Thu: _____

Fri: _____

Sat: _____

Sun: _____

*This is a constant element, so you
can practically live out your faith everyday.*