

Life Group Questions

Fresh Voices – Joe Chau (Luke 19:1-10 – Zacchaeus)

Instructions: A life group is a spiritual family. It is a time of mutual discussion, invitation, and growth together alongside the Holy Spirit. It's good to begin with prayer and 1-2 ice breaker questions to prime the pump and get to know one another. Then, after reading the Scriptures, <u>pick the questions that are of most interest to your group</u>. Make sure to conclude with a couple of application questions to live out our mission together. Finish with some time to care for one another and pray together.

Opening Question (pick 1-2 questions)

- In all of our life stories, we all experience setbacks or wounds sometimes. As you recall your journey over the past year or beyond, describe a time (instance, moment, etc) when you felt "small" (uncertain, worried, unseen, ashamed, wronged, etc)? Take a minute of silence to pause and ask the Lord to bring that part of your story to mind.
- 2. Is there a challenge you are facing right now?
- 3. What is one thought or idea from Sunday's message that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, warmed, warned, helped, or surprised you?

Read Luke 19:1-10

- 1. Have someone summarize this passage in their own words.
- 2. What stands out in this passage?
- 3. Zacchaeus chose to medicate his insecurity and woundedness with things other than the gospel. What are your "go-to's" when you are dealing with your own areas of insecurity, anxiety, pain, "smallness".
- 4. What do you learn about God and the "Kingdom of God" in this passage?
- 5. What do you learn about people in this passage?

Application

- 1. In the passage, Jesus purposely pursues Zacchaeus and invites him into His family. Similarly, Jesus is seeking us out in the very areas we want to hide. Take a minute of silence and pause to let this truth sink into your heart. If you feel comfortable, share in what ways you sense Jesus inviting you to more fully experience what it means to be in his family? How does this invitation make you feel?
- 2. How can you specifically live out this passage in the next few days? (Create an 'I Will...' statement)
- 3. How can you bless someone else as a result of this Scripture and discussion?
- 4. How can our group bless someone in response to this Scripture and discussion?

Pray Together