

Discussion Questions

10th-12th Grade



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Bottom Line

Jesus sees your potential.

Scripture

Luke 19:7-9; 2 Corinthians 5:17

Icebreaker

What's something you've changed your mind about over time? Food? TV shows? Music?

Discussion

1. Think about yourself 3 years ago. What's the biggest difference about yourself?
2. What is something you would like to change about yourself but don't think you can? What is a bad habit or behavior you've tried to change but haven't been able to? Why can making a change in our lives be a struggle? (Note: You may get different answers – try to be sensitive what your students share.)
3. Do you think that the people in the crowd ever thought that Zacchaeus could change? Why or why not?
4. Zacchaeus didn't change to make Jesus love him or accept him; Zacchaeus changed because Jesus showed that He loved Him and believed in Zacchaeus. What would it look like in high school to treat someone like they can change? How can we encourage others and believe the best in those around us?
5. As we close this series, think about this story if it happened in your life. Imagine Jesus showed up at your school or your neighborhood, walked straight past the religious crowd to go and hang out with the kid nobody expected. How would that change the way people see Jesus? How would it change the way people saw the person he walked up to?
6. What would you do differently if you believed that anyone could change? What does it mean to believe you can change? What does it mean to believe that others can change?
7. Who's someone in your life that has seen potential in you? How did it make you feel when they have invested in you? How can you do that for someone else?
8. Who is someone you can reach out to and encourage this week?