

## Leaders Guide 2

### Zacchaeus

1. **Suggested Ice breaker:** Share something about yourself that is totally different than anyone else in the group

2. **Prayer time:**

A Prelude to Prayer: Ponder these words: "The relations between God and each soul are a distinct and full as though there were not another soul upon the earth to share His watchcare, not another soul for whom He gave His beloved son." Steps to Christ, 100.

3. **Sharing from the week**

4. **Read Luke 19: 1-10**

5. **Questions for Discussion**

- a. Jesus knew that He was headed to Jerusalem to die. Does it seem strange that He is still preoccupied in people's physical and spiritual welfare?
- b. In verse 2 why are the two characteristics of Zacchaeus mentioned of significance in this story?
- c. Do you think being in the tree got Jesus attention in a more significant way? How might we express ourselves similarly today?
- d. Was it a risk for Jesus to be so welcoming to Zacchaeus who was evidently a criminal to many onlookers Luke 19:5
- e. What contributed to Zacchaeus willingness to make things right with those he wronged? Luke 19:8 What might contribute to a similar response today?
- f. Jesus said Zacchaeus was saved that day. How can we assure a person today that they are in a saving relationship with Christ.
- g. How does Luke 19:10 inspire you in mission work?

6. **Life application**

- a. Davy Falcus was a noted criminal in England. He was ruthless in the world of drugs, crime and sin in many forms. On August 16, 1995 he picked up a Bible and started reading which began a transformation. When Davy said he accepted Jesus as His Saviour, would you have been open to have him welcomed into the fellowship of your church?
- b. What lessons does the story of Zacchaeus demonstrate about Jesus?