

*Luke 19:1-10*

God's goodness is greater than our failures.

1. Desperation

"Human history is the long terrible story of man trying to find something other than God which will make him happy."

— C.S. Lewis (Mere Christianity)

2. Invitation

*Luke 19:6; Titus 3:4-7*

3. Restoration

*Psalms 139:23-24*

## Small Group Outline & Discussion Questions

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### Celebrate and Care:

Have each person share a high and low from this past week.

### Review:

God's goodness is greater than our failures.

### Open Up:

Have you ever lost something very valuable? What was your response?

### Discuss:

*Choose one or two questions for your group to discuss as time allows.*

- ▶ Read Psalm 121:7-8. Does knowing that God sees you and watches over you make you feel safe, valuable, or something else?
- ▶ Talk about a time when God met you in a time of emptiness.
- ▶ Just like the people who grumbled about Jesus choosing Zacchaeus, how do we sometimes "judge" God's goodness to others?
- ▶ Read Titus 3:4-7. What are some ways the goodness of God leads us to repentance?

### Engage:

*Spend 1-2 minutes in silence with these questions then share your thoughts.*

Where in your life do you feel lost, unseen, or empty? How can you invite God in?

### Pray:

*Take a moment to pray Psalm 139:23-24 on your own and ask God to "search my heart, know my thoughts, and show me where I need to change."*