

February 1, 2026

Eat or Experience Together (Luke 19:1-10)

WARMUP

- *Imagine inviting one of your neighbors on your street/work/school to share a meal/dessert/coffee. Who would you invite and what would you eat to make it fun?!*

FROM THE SCRIPTURE

Ask someone to read Luke 19:1-10 aloud

- What thoughts would go through your mind if Jesus looked at you and said, "I'm coming over to your house right now!"?
- How would you feel if you saw Jesus walking with Zacchaeus to his home for dinner?

FROM THE SERMON

- Neil made three observations about how Jesus seeing Zacchaeus relates to us loving our neighbors. Do you agree or disagree?
 - Jesus calls us to see our neighbors in a way that no one else does.
 - Jesus calls us to communicate worth to our neighbors.
 - Loving your neighbor will impact more than just your neighbor.
- How do you love your neighbors when life is overwhelming and you feel like you need others to love you more than you need to love others?

FROM THE BOOK (chapter 5 of the BLESS book)

- Share your thoughts about this question with the person next to you:
 - Which of the excuses for not sharing a meal with someone do you relate to most? (pp. 86-87)
 - Why is eating with someone such an effective way to bless them?
- Come back together and share what else you appreciate or disagree with from the book.

Do you sense the Holy Spirit speaking to you about anything else in the sermon, book, or scripture passage? It could be a question you have, or something that got your attention, or a point you are pondering...

RESPONSE

- Who will you share a meal, dessert, or coffee with this week?
OR
- What is one next step that you think God is inviting you to take this week? Ask God to give you the strength/courage/faith to take that step!
- How will your Life Group encourage one another in praying and listening to your neighbors this week?