

OCTOBER 17

TAKING THE NEXT STEP

START TALKING | Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- If you are a parent, do you remember your kids taking their first steps? How did it go?
- Think back to the first time you rode a bike or learned to swim. How did it go? What helped you to learn to get better at it?

START THINKING | Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Read Luke 19:1-5
- Which words or phrases stand out to you?
- Zacchaeus was a man curious about Jesus. About what faith questions have you always wondered and never had a satisfactory resolution?
- Jesus meets Zácchaeus in his questions, just as he meets us in ours. How have you experienced Christ's presence in the midst of your curiosity?

START SHARING | Choose a question to create openness.

- Read Luke 19:6-10.
- Which words or phrases stand out to you?
- Zacchaeus accepts Jesus' rather bold invention for a meal at his house. And Zacchaeus says yes!
- Is there time, a moment, you remember saying yes to Jesus? Or was it a gradual process over a long period of time?
- In verse 8, what does Zacchaeus promise to do as the result of his encounter with Jesus?
- What step might the Holy Spirit be convicting you to take to grow more love and peace, kindness and goodness, joy, patience, and self-control this wee

START PRAYING | Be bold and pray with power.

Jesus, help us to take one more step towards you, in curiosity, in saying yes, in responding to your conviction to make changes in our lives. We want to be a people always moving towards you each moment of our days. In our resurrected Savior's name we pray, Amen.

START DOING | Commit to a step and live it out this week.

Check out this 5-day reading plan to getting unstuck taking next steps in Jesus: https://www.bible.com/reading-plans/3250-next-steps-to-fulfilling-gods-plan-for-your-life