

# CrossWalk **notes**

## A Place for Me

## A Place to Discover my Identity

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### How do I figure out who I am?

- What is my \_\_\_\_\_?
- What is my \_\_\_\_\_ or my \_\_\_\_\_?
- What \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ do I fill?
- To what \_\_\_\_\_ am I connected?

<sup>1</sup> Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. <sup>2</sup> A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was **a chief tax collector and was wealthy**. <sup>3</sup> He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd.

Luke 19:1-3, NIV

### What was the identity of Zacchaeus?

- His name means \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- His occupation implies he is a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- His stature means \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>4</sup> So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. <sup>5</sup> When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. **I must stay at your house today.**" <sup>6</sup> So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. Luke 19:4-6, NIV

Zach was attracted to Jesus by \_\_\_\_\_ and was drawn in by Jesus' surprising \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>7</sup> All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a **sinner**." Luke 19:7, NIV

Others identified Zach as a \_\_\_\_\_. They thought he was simply the product of all of his past bad \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>8</sup> But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give **half of my possessions to the poor**, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will **pay back four times the amount.**" Luke 19:8, NIV

<sup>7</sup> But **whatever were gains to me I now consider loss** for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. **I consider them garbage**, that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the **righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith.** Philippians 3:7-9, NIV

Jesus offers a new \_\_\_\_\_ and into our lives.

<sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because **this man, too, is a son of Abraham.**" <sup>10</sup> For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." Luke 19:9-10, NIV

Zach's (and our) \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_-given identity: Child of God \_\_\_\_\_ with the blood of \_\_\_\_\_.

## MEMORY VERSE

<sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because **this man, too, is a son of Abraham.** Luke 19:9, NIV

**My next step:** I will continue to discover my identity in my relationship with Jesus. I will leave past sins and bad choices in the past and lean into Jesus' promises.

What's your next step today?

Mark it on your Communication Card.