

MESSAGE

CELEBRATE! [BIG BLOCK BASH]

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STUDY GUIDE

1. When was a time that you wanted to uncontrollably celebrate something? What happened? How did people respond?
2. This week, we are celebrating God's grace and truth in the Big Block Bash. We will look at Luke 19:1-10. Before you read that passage aloud, take a moment to pray, asking God to guide and speak to you in this study.
3. Jesus is on his way from Galilee to Jerusalem in his final weeks. What is significant about this?
4. In this passage there are a number of things we learn about Zacchaeus. List some of the things you observe about Zacchaeus, such as his physical description, occupation, attitudes, etc.
5. What do you think it was about Jesus' person, teaching (see Luke 18:9-14) or previous actions (see Luke 18:35-43) that might have led Zacchaeus to become so eager to meet Jesus?
6. What catches your attention about Jesus' interactions with Zacchaeus in this passage as described in verse 5?
7. How would you describe the peoples' reaction to Jesus and Zacchaeus in verse 7? Why do you think this was their reaction?
8. How would you describe Zacchaeus' response to Jesus' invitation?
9. Would you say you are more like Zacchaeus or the crowd in your response to Jesus these days? Why or why not?
10. What is one thing you will take away from this study to help you grow with God? If you are alone, write it down somewhere. If you are with a group, share that with one another.

[Next week we continue in our message series, "Love Your Neighborhood."]