



## Community Group Leader Guide Week 6

This week, we focused on our call to “engage” with our “neighbors”: to invest in the neighborhoods/workplaces/schools we spend our time in, to remove the barriers we put in place so that we can build meaningful relationships, and to take risks in those relationships. We have an awesome calling within God’s mission to reach the world that he loves. We just have to be willing and obedient in following his call on us, and then see his faithfulness work through us.

### Schedule

1. Gather & Eat (30 mins)
2. Welcome & Icebreaker (5-10 mins)
3. Discussion (30-40 mins)
4. Closing & Prayer (5-10 mins)

### Ice Breaker

What did you have for lunch today, who did you eat it with, and what was your time together like?

### Questions

1. As Jesus followers, how should our “neighboring” be different than non-Jesus followers?
2. Using real-life, concrete examples, how are you trying to “engage” with your neighbors (co-workers, friends, etc.)?
3. Read Matthew 9:9-13. How do verses 12-13 challenge you and your faith personally?
4. Where have you seen fear be a barrier to building relationships?
5. What prevents you from taking risks in investing in outsiders?
6. Looking at Day 4/Luke 19:1-10, who is a Zacchaeus in your life?
7. How can this Community Group join together to better engage outsiders?
8. Reflecting on Sunday’s message, how do you stand in the way of God’s mission?

### Notes

- Review this guide and the Facilitator Guide/Questions (pgs. 121-3) before your night.
- Use the prayer prompt from the Facilitator Guide for your prayer time at the end.

### Announcements

- Give your Group the information about your Serve opportunity. Get a final number of expected participants if you haven’t already, and relay it to Matt Agresti.