

# WEEK 1

## CONVERSATION GUIDE

# THE untouchables

## THIS SERIES

If you've been following Jesus for some time, you know it's often easy to become numb to just how controversial Jesus' message and ministry actually were while He was on earth. Jesus made enemies of both religious leaders and the government in part because of the way He treated the most "untouchable" members of society. In this series, you'll help students see and explore the significance of the fact that Jesus **ate with the despised, valued the outcasts, restored the sinful, and forgave the unforgivable.**

## THIS WEEK

### **THE BIG IDEA**

Jesus ate with the despised.

### **THE BIBLE**

Luke 19:1-10

- **What's something that really disgusts you?**
- **Have you ever felt disgusted by someone else's words, actions, or lifestyle? Tell us about it.**
- **Do you think being disgusted by someone is ever justifiable? Why or why not?**
- **When you feel disgusted by someone, how do you usually respond to them?**
- **Have you ever said or done something that disgusted someone? What happened?**
- **Have you ever said or done something that ostracized you from your friends or family? Would anyone like to tell us about it?**
- **Why do you think it was such a big deal that Jesus ate with Zacchaeus?**
- **Did you identify more with Zacchaeus or with the crowd in this story? Why?**
- **This week, how do you think God might be calling you to make this story personal?**