



Lesson	Character Trait	Take Home Point
Jesus Meets Zacchaeus	Acceptance	Jesus wants us to accept others
Scriptures		
<p>Luke 19:1-10</p>	<p>Zacchaeus the Tax Collector</p> <p>1 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through.</p> <p>2 A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy.</p> <p>3 He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd.</p> <p>4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.</p> <p>5 When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today."</p> <p>6 So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.</p> <p>7 All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner."</p> <p>8 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."</p> <p>9 Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham.</p> <p>10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."</p>	



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Jesus and the Four Friends	Forgiveness	Jesus wants us to forgive others
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<p>Mark 2:1–12</p>	<p>Jesus Forgives and Heals a Paralyzed Man</p> <p>1 A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home.</p> <p>2 They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them.</p> <p>3 Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them.</p> <p>4 Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on.</p> <p>5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, “Son, your sins are forgiven.”</p> <p>6 Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves,</p> <p>7 “Why does this fellow talk like that? He’s blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?”</p> <p>8 Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, “Why are you thinking these things?</p> <p>9 Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up, take your mat and walk’?”</p> <p>10 But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.” So he said to the man,</p> <p>11 “I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home.”</p> <p>12 He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, “We have never seen anything like this!”</p>	



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Jesus raises a boy from the dead	Compassion	Jesus wants up to be compassionate.
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Luke 7:11-17	<p>11 Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him.</p> <p>12 As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her.</p> <p>13 When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, “Don’t cry.”</p> <p>14 Then he went up and touched the bier they were carrying him on, and the bearers stood still. He said, “Young man, I say to you, get up!”</p> <p>15 The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.</p> <p>16 They were all filled with awe and praised God. “A great prophet has appeared among us,” they said. “God has come to help his people.”</p> <p>17 This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country.</p>	



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Jesus is born	Love	God loves us so much he sent His son.
Scriptures		
<p>Matthew 1: 18-25; 2:1-2</p>	<p>Joseph Accepts Jesus as His Son 18 This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. 19 Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. 20 But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.” 22 All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: 23 “The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel”(which means “God with us”). 24 When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. 25 But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.</p> <p>The Magi Visit the Messiah 1 After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem 2 and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”</p>	



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Dedication of Jesus	Obedience	God wants us to obey His word.
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<p>Luke 2:21-24</p>	<p>21 On the eighth day, when it was time to circumcise the child, he was named Jesus, the name the angel had given him before he was conceived.</p> <p>Jesus Presented in the Temple</p> <p>22 When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord</p> <p>23 (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord”),</p> <p>24 and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: “a pair of doves or two young pigeons.”</p>	



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Baptism of Jesus	Obedience	Jesus wants us to be baptized
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Matthew 3: 13-17	<p>The Baptism of Jesus</p> <p>13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John.</p> <p>14 But John tried to deter him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?”</p> <p>15 Jesus replied, “Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness.” Then John consented.</p> <p>16 As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.</p> <p>17 And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”</p>	



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Jesus Died, Was Buried & Rose Again	Forgiveness	Jesus is Alive!
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<p>John 20:1-17</p>	<p>The Empty Tomb</p> <p>20 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance.</p> <p>2 So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”</p> <p>3 So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb.</p> <p>4 Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.</p> <p>5 He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in.</p> <p>6 Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there,</p> <p>7 as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen.</p> <p>8 Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed.</p> <p>9 (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)</p> <p>10 Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.</p> <p>Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene</p> <p>11 Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb</p> <p>12 and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.</p> <p>13 They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?” “They have taken my Lord away,” she said, “and I don’t know where they have put him.”</p> <p>14 At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.</p> <p>15 He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?” Thinking he was the gardener, she said, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.”</p> <p>16 Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means “Teacher”).</p> <p>17 Jesus said, “Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”</p>	



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The Great Commission	Obedience	Jesus wants us to share the Good News!
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Matthew 28:18-20 Mark 16:15	Matthew 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you Mark 15 He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation."	



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Ascension of Jesus	Joy	Jesus wants us to be full of joy.
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Acts 1:2-11	<p>2 until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen.</p> <p>3 After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.</p> <p>4 On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about.</p> <p>5 For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”</p> <p>6 Then they gathered around him and asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?”</p> <p>7 He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority.</p> <p>8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”</p> <p>9 After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.</p> <p>10 They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them.</p> <p>11 “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”</p>	