

**MADE TO IMAGINE**

an activity that promotes empathy and facilitates concrete application through role-play and reenactment

**VERSE PLAYLIST**

[EARLY ARRIVAL ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:**

- "Memory Verse Screen" Activity Page
- music
- markers

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Hand out the "Memory Verse Screen" Activity Page, one for each kid.
- Read the verse together a few times and ask if any kids have the verse memorized and want to say it for the group. Pass out markers and let kids color the verse while listening to music. While the kids are coloring, ask:
  - What's something in nature that changes how it looks?
  - How have you changed since the beginning of the school year?
  - In what way did Jesus' love change Zacchaeus? What was different about Zacchaeus once he was forgiven and realized that Jesus loved him no matter what?

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"God loves you MORE than you could EVER IMAGINE! His love for you is bigger than the BIGGEST thing you can think of! And since God loves you SO much, He wants you to share His love with the people around you.

"Sometimes it's easy to love others, and sometimes it's hard. Is it ever hard for you to love people? (Pause for responses.) Is it ever hard to love your brother or sister? Is it ever hard to love the kid who annoys you? (Pause for responses.) Sometimes it can be hard to love the people around us, but with God's help we can CHANGE—we can love others just like God loves us! God can help you change anything in your heart that you'd like to change! So, remember: [Bottom Line] I can have confidence because I can change."

**TODAY'S BIBLE STORY**

Zacchaeus, Part 2  
Luke 19:8-9

**TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE**

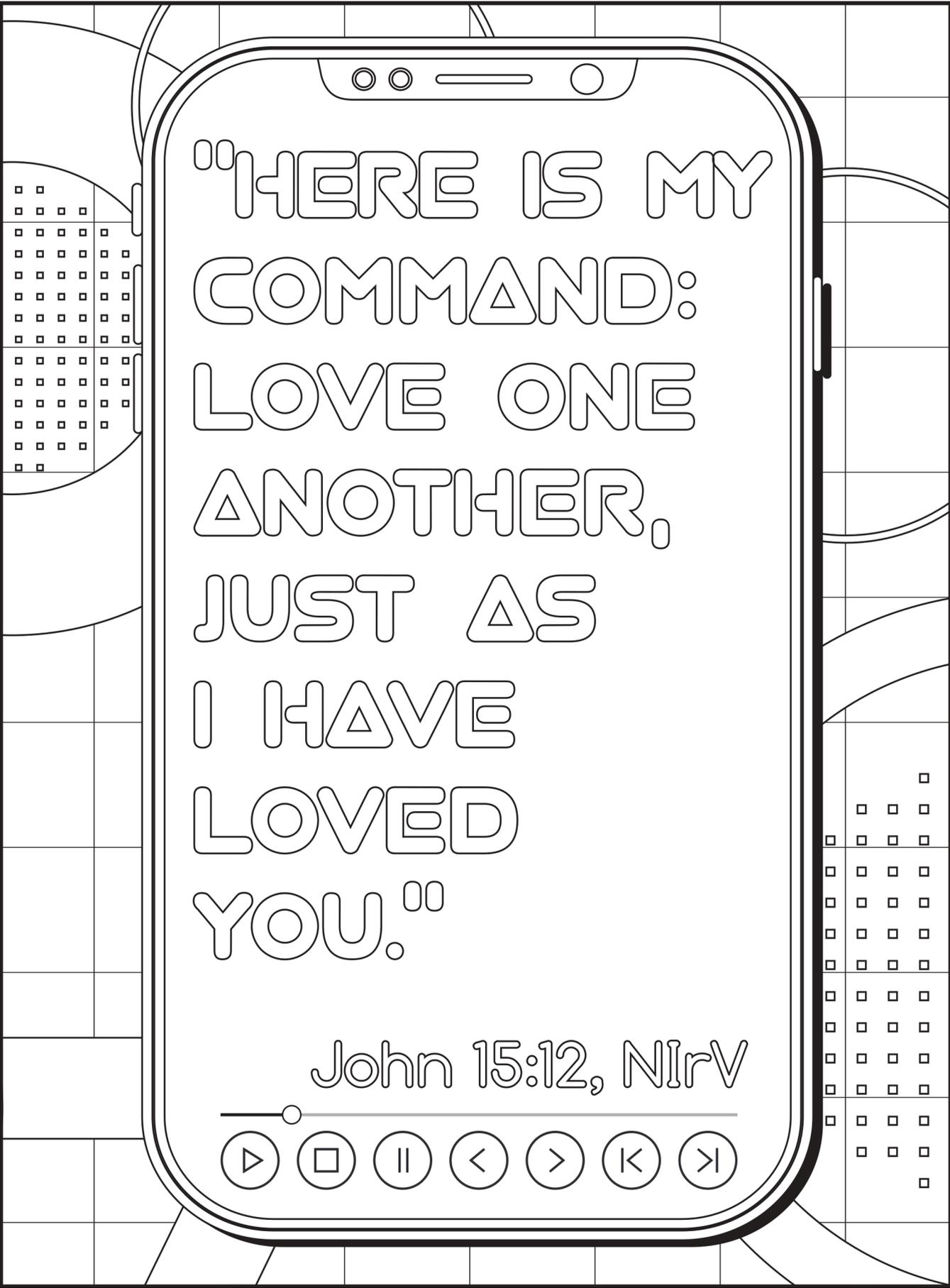
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because I can change.

**MEMORY VERSE**

"My command is this: Love each  
other as I have loved you."  
John 15:12, NIV

**LIFE APP**

Confidence—Learning to see  
yourself as God sees you.



"HERE IS MY  
COMMAND:  
LOVE ONE  
ANOTHER,  
JUST AS  
I HAVE  
LOVED  
YOU."

John 15:12, NIrV



**What to Do:**

Print on cardstock. Provide one for each kid.

**Memory Verse Screen, NIrV**

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## MADE TO CONNECT

an activity that invites kids to share and collaborate with others while growing their understanding



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

### WHAT YOU NEED:

- No supplies necessary

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### WHAT YOU DO:

Instruct kids to get out their erasers from the first activity and hold them while the group talks. Ask:

- The kind of change Zacchaeus made is often called a "180," meaning he turned 180 degrees around and started going in the opposite direction than the one he was going. In other words, he went from taking people's money to make himself rich to giving that money back and helping people.
  - Have you ever seen someone change that drastically in real life?
  - What about in a movie or TV show?
  - What is the biggest change you've made in the last year?
  - What changes on the outside as we grow up?
  - What changes on the inside?
  - How do you know that something in your life needs to change?

## MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that creates space  
for personal processing  
and application



## PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Index Cards
- Markers

## TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

The Calling of the Disciples  
Luke 5:1-11, 27-32

## TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

I can have confidence  
because I belong.

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### WHAT YOU DO:

- Hand out index cards.
- Give each kid a pencil.
- Invite kids to think about the following question, and write a phrase to represent their answer.
  - How could I change for the better this year?
- Let kids share their responses if they want to.
- Close in prayer.

### WHAT YOU SAY:

"Dear God, thank You that Your love and forgiveness can change us from the inside out. Please show us where we need to change so we can love others the way You love us. We love You and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

### TRAVEL TIME:

As you travel to the next track, use the following questions to keep the conversation going, and to keep kids thinking about what they're learning.

### TRAVEL TIME:

- If you could change the ending to any story, show, or movie, what would it be?
- What's something silly you can change?