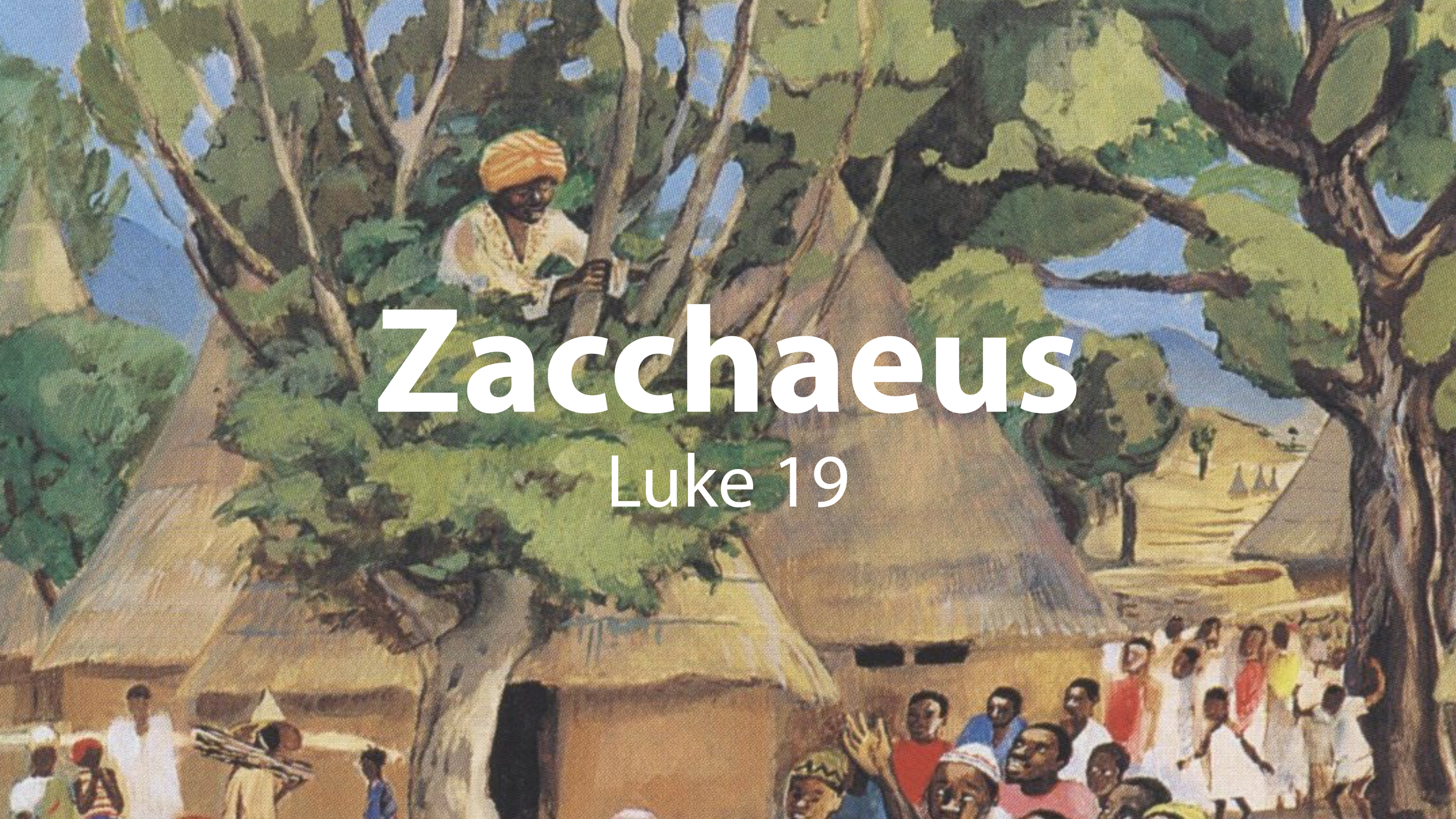
Generosity in Spring
Autumn Winter Spring Summer



Zacchaeus

Luke 19

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LUKE 19:1-4

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through.

A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy.

He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd.

So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

ZACCHAEUS' PROBLEMS

- ✗ Not popular
- ✗ Wealthy
- ✗ Really short

S O L U T I O N ✔

Runs ahead and **climbs** a tree

LUKE 19:5

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, *“Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.”*

LUKE 19:6–7

So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

All the people saw this and began to mutter, *“He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.”*

LUKE 19:8

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.”

LUKE 19:9

“Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

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Generosity in Springtime

CHANGE NEW LIFE
POSSIBILITY HOPE
NEW START GROWTH

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:11-12

See, the winter is past,

and the rains are over and gone.

The flowers are springing up,

the season of singing birds has come

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Zacchaeus

SON OF ABRAHAM

Rich Young Ruler

WEALTHY • MET JESUS • INVITED

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Why did one walk away and the other accept?

What's the difference in attitude between Zacchaeus and the Rich Young Ruler?

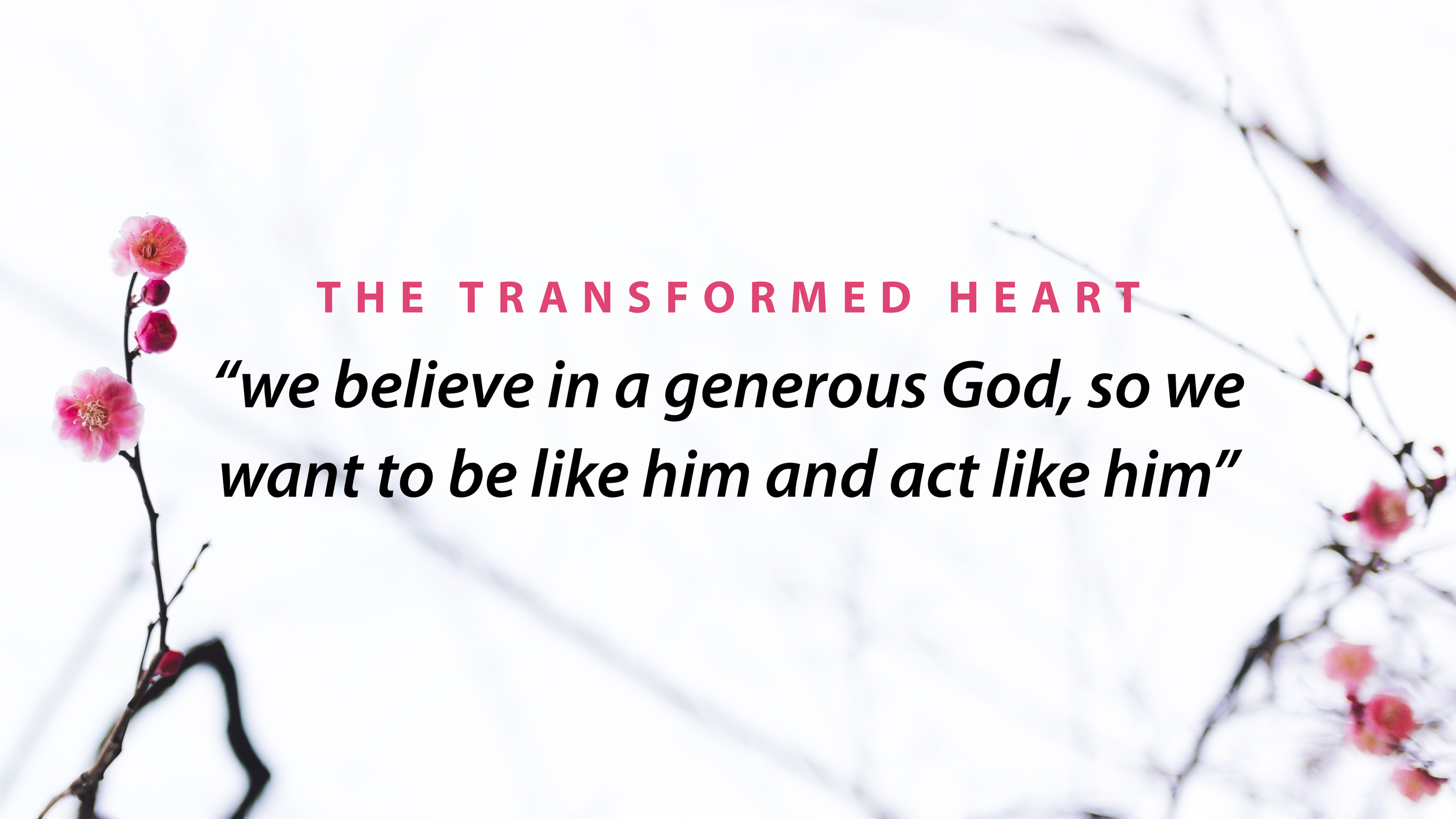
✔ Humility
✔ Thankfulness

BLOCKS TO EXPERIENCING GENEROSITY...

- ***SHAME*** *— I won't receive because I don't deserve it.*
- ***GREED*** *— I won't give away what makes me feel significant.*
- ***PRIDE*** *— 'I'm better than you' gives me a feeling of self-worth.*

THE TRANSFORMED HEART

what is giving to someone who has been given so much?



THE TRANSFORMED HEART

“we believe in a generous God, so we want to be like him and act like him”

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Humility and thankfulness, in response to the love of Jesus

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REVELATION 3:20

“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.”