



**Study Guide: Teen Homelessness in Roanoke  
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**In the blog post we learned that Christ Episcopal's youth went into hotels and inns in which students their age were living without permanent housing. Ida other CEC youth came back inspired by this trip and the realization that students they saw every single day at school were leading drastically different lives at home. Use the study guide below to engage your youth in a discussion about the struggles students face without housing.**

- 1. Have you ever been to a friend or classmate's home in which you felt out of your comfort zone? How did the similarities or differences between your home and your friends home make you feel? Did you gain any new insight into who your friend was based on their home?**
- 2. RoomRaiders is a show that used to come on MTV, in which a person would raid three other people's rooms to decide whether or not he/she wants to meet them. What would a person learn about you if they raided your room?**
- 3. In the New Testament there are many instances of Jesus entering the households of those he met and entering into relationship with them. One instance is Luke 19:1-10 in which Jesus meets Zacchaeus, a rich chief tax collector who was called a sinner, and stays at his house. Another instance is when Jesus enters the home of Martha and her sister Mary just a few chapters earlier in Luke 10:38-42. Martha, a single woman, and Zacchaeus, a wealthy man, likely led very different lives, and their homes probably reflected those differences.
  - 1. What do you think Zacchaeus's home looked like? What about Martha's?**
  - 2. How was Jesus welcomed in both homes?****
- 4. Based on Matthew 25:35-40, how are we to welcome people into our homes, who may lead vastly different lives than our own?**