

-Mark 10: 42-43

## Scripture text:

### Mark 10: 42-43 nkjv

42 But Jesus called them to *Himself* and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. <sup>43</sup> Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant.

Aim Of This Lesson—

• To examine the Greatness of Servitude.

## Are You a Servant of God or Man? Greatness defined:

- By the world—power, possessions, prestige, position.
- God determines greatness by how many people you serve.

#### Luke 19:10 nkjv

<sup>10</sup> for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

• John 13:4-17—washing the feet of His disciples.

• The religious world is filled with a lot of supposed *servants* who spend a lot of time maneuvering and positioning themselves for <u>position</u>, <u>power</u> and prominence.

### Matthew 23:5-7nkjv

<sup>5</sup> But all their works they do to be seen by men. They make their phylacteries broad and enlarge the borders of their garments. <sup>6</sup> They love the best places at feasts, the best seats in the synagogues, <sup>7</sup> greetings in the marketplaces, and to be called by men, 'Rabbi, Rabbi.'

We want to share four Christian principles of what a servant does and what it looks like:

- 1. A Servant makes themselves available.
- 2. A Servant looks for needs.
- 3. A Servant maximizes what they have.
  - 4. A Servant is consistent and finish.

1. A Servant makes themselves available.

### 2 Timothy 2:4 nkjv

- <sup>4</sup> No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of *this* life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.
- Prioritize your time.
- Giving up the absolute right to control your schedule and allowing God and the needs of others to interpret your plans.

# Are You a Servant of God or Man? 2. A Servant looks for needs.

### Philippians 2:3 nkjv

<sup>3</sup> Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.

• Needs show up at some very inconvenient times.

# Are You a Servant of God or Man? 2. A Servant looks for needs.

### Galatians 6:9 nkjv

- <sup>9</sup>And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.
  - A servant is willing to be spontaneous and realizes that great opportunities to serve never last long and they can pass quickly and never return.

# Are You a Servant of God or Man? 2. A Servant looks for needs.

Proverbs 3:28 nkjv

<sup>28</sup> Do not say to your neighbor, "Go, and come back, and tomorrow I will give *it*," When you have it with you.

# Are You a Servant of God or Man? 3. A Servant maximizes what they have.

### Ecclesiastes 9:10 nkjv

<sup>10</sup> Whatever your hand finds to do, do *it* with your might; for *there is* no work or device or knowledge or wisdom in the grave where you are going.

- Do not put off things.
- Less than perfect service is always better than the best intention.

#### Matthew 7:1-4 nkjv

7 "Judge not, that you be not judged. <sup>2</sup> For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you. <sup>3</sup> And why do you look at the speck in your brother's eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye? <sup>4</sup> Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me remove the speck from your eye'; and look, a plank *is* in your own eye?

## 4. Servants are Consistent and Finish.

• Servants finish their tasks, fulfill their responsibilities, keep their promises, and complete their commitments.

### Proverbs 20:6 nkjv

<sup>6</sup> Most men will proclaim each his own goodness, but who can find a faithful man?

• Finish what you start.

## Are You a Servant of God or Man? 4. Servants are Consistent and Finish.

### **Jesus**

John 17:4 nkjv

<sup>4</sup> I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do.

### Paul

2 Timothy 4:7 nkjv

<sup>7</sup> I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

• Do not get side-tracked from finishing.

Remember a servant always and not just during this time of year...

1. Makes themselves available.

2. Looks for needs.

3. Maximizes what they have.

4. Is consistent and finish.

## The Plan of Salvation

Hear Romans 10:13-17

Believe John 20:31, Hebrews 11:6

Repent Luke 13:3, Acts 17:30

Confess Romans 10:10, Matthew 10:32

Baptism Mark 16:16, Acts 2:38



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