

# REVERSING THE ORDER OF THE WORLD

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People are competitive... People keep score...

Jesus and His disciples came to Capernaum...

*Jesus foretold His suffering a death a second time - Mk 9:30-32*

God is trying to get through...

Meanwhile, the disciples are missing the point...

*The disciples dispute who would be the greatest - Mk 9:33-34*

Jesus took this opportunity to teach His disciples the way to true greatness...

A way involving servitude

A way involving humility

Read Sermon on the Mount beatitudes

WHAT IF THE SCORE-KEEPING OF THE SOUL WAS DIFFERENT THAN THE  
SCORE-KEEPING OF THE FLESH

*"If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all." - Mk 9:35*

*Mark 10:35-45*

*20 Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Him with her sons, kneeling down and asking something from Him.*

*21 And He said to her, "What do you wish?" She said to Him, "Grant that these two sons of mine may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on the left, in Your kingdom."*

*22 But Jesus answered and said, "You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They said to Him, "We are able."*

*23 So He said to them, "You will indeed drink My cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with; but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared by My Father."*

*24 And when the ten heard it, they were greatly displeased with the two brothers.*

*25 But Jesus called them to Himself and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them.*

*26 Yet sit shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant.*

## EXAMPLES OF SERVITUDE

- ACTS OF KINDNESS AND SERVICE
- HOST MINISTRY
- EDIFICATION
- BEING PRESENT
- BEING FRIENDLY
- TAKE SPECIAL INTEREST IN THOSE WHO ARE NEW, ENCOURAGE THEM  
OFFER TO ASSIST MINISTRY (NO EXCUSE)
- ASK LEADERSHIP WHAT IS THE HARDEST MINISTRIES TO STAFF. AND GO  
THERE.

*"For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." - Lk 14:11*

IF WE DESIRE TO BE GREAT IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD, LET US HUMBLY  
SERVE ONE ANOTHER AND THOSE IN THE WORLD...