

Message from God's Life-Giving Word
March 3, 2019
Journey with Jesus – Greatness

The Raising of Lazarus (John 11:45-54)

Jesus and Greatness

Notes on Who's the Greatest (Mark 9:30-36):

In what NEW way does Jesus define "Greatness"?

*And He sat down and called the twelve. And He said to them, "If anyone would be **first**, he must be **last of all and servant of all**." Mark 9:35*

What were James and John looking for?

What does Jesus show His disciples?

*But it shall **not be so among you**. But whoever would be **great** among you must be your **servant**, and whoever would be **first** among you must be **slave of all**. Mark 10:43-44*

*Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And **we are His house**. Hebrews 3:6*

How are you wired to serve?

God has plenty of "what it takes," be willing to be useful.

Next Steps

1. How would you define greatness in leadership? Journal about one of the best leaders you have followed. What qualities made that person worth following?
2. Read Mark 9:30–36. Jesus redefines great leadership in Mark 9:35. Does His definition seem realistic and achievable in your world? Why or why not? If you redefined your pursuit of greatness based on Jesus' upside-down definition, what would you have to change about how you lead? What might you have to sacrifice? What might you gain?
3. Read Mark 10:42–43. Do you need to do a better job of serving someone you lead? If so, what is one thing you can do this week to leverage your influence on that person's behalf?

REMEMBER: Your time in daily devotion and prayer is not just for your benefit. It's also for the benefit of others. Share what God is teaching you.