



WHY ON EARTH

Mark 10:35-45

To Descend to Greatness

I. Greatness in God's eyes does not _____ to glory on earth.

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." vv. 35-37

The greatest struggle is not discerning God's will but _____ your own.

II. Greatness in God's eyes comes at a _____ many don't consider.

Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." vv. 38-40

You cannot follow Christ and _____ His path.

III. Greatness in God's eyes comes from _____ rather than ascending.

And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 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. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." vv. 41-45

No act of service is _____ a true servant.

DESCENDING TO GREATNESS

Accept Jesus' greatest act of service because you'll never be _____ enough.

Change your _____ about serving from reluctant obligation to willing devotion.

Use your God-given means to _____ in God-glorifying ways.

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HOME GROUP STUDY

1. What did you note from the sermon that stood out to you?

2. Read Mark 10:35-45. Why were the other disciples displeased with James and John's request? Was the request legitimate in Jesus' eyes or not?

3. What do you think is the reason why most people don't feel like serving?

4. Theologian J. Vernon McGee said *"Salvation is free, but we work for a reward."* What does he mean by that?

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J. VERNON MCGEE

5. Have you previously viewed rewards in God's kingdom as a selfish pursuit? Why is that view faulty? Does it surprise you that we should seek rewards?

6. Are you chasing greatness in God's kingdom, or are you content to just be part of it and not reap any rewards? How has this sermon changed your view of God's future kingdom and your role in that now?

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week. Like to plan ahead a little more? Pick up a copy of The Source at a stand around campus or near the exits, or visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events. They're your source for everything going on at Christ Chapel.

TEXT "CCBCSHARE" FOR YOUR NEXT STEP.

If you've been growing in your faith for a while, your next step is to start considering who God has put in your life to disciple. We'll help you get started—text "CCBCShare" to 94090 and we'll send you info on events and mentoring opportunities.

LAST CALL FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS

CHILD BOXES. It's not too late to help us deliver shoeboxes of Christmas gifts and the gospel to children around the world this year! Return your boxes today by 12:30 p.m. outside your worship venue or drive through the parking garage—we'll be there today from 2 to 7 p.m. and tomorrow, Nov. 23 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. It'll be safe and easy—just hand us your boxes without ever getting out of the car!

STOP BY THE ANGEL TREE IN THE GREAT

ROOM TODAY. Angel Tree Ministry, a program of Prison Fellowship, brings the gospel and Christmas gifts to children who have one or more parents in prison. If you'd like to provide gifts for a child this Christmas, stop by the Angel Tree in the Great Room today. Can't make it? Angel Tree is also online! Visit www.ccbcfamily.org/angeltree to get started.

RESERVE A BRUNCH BOX FOR WOMEN'S

CHRISTMAS BRUNCH. On Saturday, Dec. 12, Women's Ministry is celebrating the season in a totally new way: hosting Christmas brunch in homes around Fort Worth. If you'd like to invite a few friends and host a brunch, Women's Ministry has created a box with everything you'll need: conversation starters, a gospel-centered message, recipes, a Christmas playlist and more. You can reserve your box today at www.ccbcfamily.org/events.

PLAN YOUR STREAMING OF THIS YEAR'S

CHRISTMAS CANTATA. "The Promise of Christmas" is this year's Christmas Cantata, a beautiful holiday worship service led by the CCBC Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra. Services will stream on Saturday, Dec. 5 and Sunday, Dec. 6. Go to www.ccbcfamily.org/events to decide when you'll watch at home!

CONSIDERING END-OF-YEAR GIVING?

This year's end-of-year giving initiative centers on Family Focused, our ministry vision for supporting families—the ones under our own roofs, Christ Chapel, the greater community and global church. To learn about the specific initiatives and give, visit www.ccbcfamily.org/give2020.

SHARE THE HOPE OF JESUS THIS HOLIDAY

SEASON. Sending notes to residents of nursing homes, serving with local ministries, checking in on a friend—there are a lot of ways you can share God's love and care this holiday season. Head to www.ccbcfamily.org/holidayserve to find a way to serve this week.

ARE YOU A PART OF THE CCBC FAMILY

TEXT? We're using our family text to send out important updates and announcements during the week. To join the group, text "CCBCFamily" to 94090.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO GIVE AN OFFERING TODAY, YOU CAN DO SO STRAIGHT FROM YOUR

PHONE. The process is quick and easy—just text "CCBCFW" to 77977 to get started.