

LEADING UPSIDE DOWN

Follow the Leader Series Part 10

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“If one of you wants to be great, you must be the servant of the rest; and if one of you wants to be first, you must be the slave of all.”

Mark 10:43-44

“Jesus and his disciples left that place and went on through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where he was, because he was teaching his disciples: ‘The Son of Man will be handed over to those who will kill him. Three days later, however, he will rise to life.’ But they did not understand what this teaching meant, and they were afraid to ask him. They came to Capernaum, and after going indoors Jesus asked his disciples, ‘What were you arguing about on the road?’ But they would not answer him, because on the road they had been arguing among themselves about who was the greatest. Jesus sat down, called the twelve disciples, and said to them, ‘Whoever wants to be first must place himself last of all and be the servant of all.’” Mark 9:30-35

“Jesus and his disciples were now on the road going up to Jerusalem. Jesus was going ahead of the disciples, who were filled with alarm; the people who followed behind were afraid. Once again Jesus took the twelve disciples aside and spoke of the things that were going to happen to him. ‘Listen,’ he told them, ‘we are going up to Jerusalem where the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the teachers of the Law. They will condemn him to death and then hand him over to the Gentiles, who will make fun of him, spit on him, whip him, and kill him; but three days later he will rise to life.’ Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus. ‘Teacher,’ they said, ‘there is something we want you to do for us.’ ‘What is it?’ Jesus asked them. They answered, ‘When you sit on your throne in your glorious Kingdom, we want you to let us sit with you, one at your right and one at your left.’ When the other ten disciples heard about it, they became angry with James and John. So Jesus called them all together to him and said, ‘You know that those who are considered rulers of the heathen have power over them, and the leaders have complete authority. This, however, is not the way it is among you. If one of you wants to be great, you must be the servant of the rest; and if one of you wants to be first, you must be the slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served; he came to serve and to give his life to redeem many people.’” Mark 10:32-37; 41-45

1. There is a big difference in being great and _____

2. A servant is one who _____

3. My obituary :

