



True Greatness

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TODAY'S READING: Mark 9

In a world that often values power and prestige, Jesus brings a radical perspective. In Mark 9:35, He imparts a profound lesson on humility and service, challenging His disciples—and us—to embrace a different way of living.

The disciples were caught up in a debate about who among them was the greatest. In response, Jesus offered a paradigm shift. Instead of seeking positions of prominence, He urged them to adopt the posture of a servant—placing the needs of others above their own desires for recognition.

This world often measures success by titles and accomplishments. Jesus' call to be the servant of all challenges us to redefine greatness. True significance, according to Jesus, is found in humility and selfless service.

Think about the following statements and how they apply to you:

Cultivate a Servant Heart: Consider areas in your life where you can serve others without seeking recognition. Look for opportunities to demonstrate humility and put others first.

Examine Motives: Reflect on your motives and aspirations. Are they centered on self-promotion, or are they aligned with a desire to serve others and glorify God?

Follow Jesus' Example: Jesus, the ultimate servant-leader, exemplified humility by washing His disciples' feet. How can you follow His example in your interactions with

others?

Prayer: Lord, teach us the true meaning of greatness. Help us cultivate hearts of humility and service, following the example set by Jesus. May our lives be marked by a genuine desire to serve others and to bring glory to Your name.

TOMORROW'S READING: Matthew 5

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