

Sunday, March 22nd, 2026
Sermon Series: "From Ashes to Light."
"Servanthood" *Mark 10.42-45; Romans 12.9-18.*
(Lent)

The Season of Lent...Where We've Been...

Mark 12.29-31 Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰ And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹ The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

The Five Core Spiritual Disciplines...

- Worship (Weekly Worship through Word and Sacrament)
- Bible Study (Daily Reading/Applying of God's Word)
- Biblical Community (Mutual, Healthy God-Honoring Relationships)
- Daily Prayer (Solitude and Silence)

Servanthood...

Mark 10.35-39a 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." ³⁶ And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ 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?" ³⁹ And they said to him, "We are able."

Christian Servanthood... A Love that:

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Mark 10.43b-44 ...But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.

Romans 12.9-12 Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹ Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

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Romans 12.13-18 Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. ¹⁷ Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

Mark 10.45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

(Answers: Dares. Shares).