



LESSON 2

Dear Parents,

Hello again! We just wrapped up the second week of our four-week look at what Jesus had to say about our identities. This week's lesson was titled "The World, Upside Down." In this lesson, we helped students learn that their identity as a Christ-follower means greatness is defined differently than the world defines it, and we challenged them to look around them and identify opportunities to humbly serve others in God's name.

We looked at the following Scripture passages:

- Mark 9:33-37
- Philippians 2:3-4

Please take a few minutes this week to read these passages.

Next Steps . . .

During the next week as you have time to talk with your teenager, remember that one way that will help him or her to understand and apply what they have learned is to explain it to someone else. Use the following questions to guide your conversation:

- Does Jesus' teaching on the first being the last seem hard to swallow? Why or why not?
- Where in our world do we see the opposite of this principle at work? Where do we see people rewarded for putting themselves before others?
- What are some real, practical ways you can live this principle out? How can you demonstrate through your actions that you are obeying Jesus' call to serve others?
- What can our family do to have more of a servant mindset to those we come in contact with?

Thank you for all you do. If you have any questions about anything, please don't hesitate to call me.