

Level up: Serve
Small Group Questions

The person wearing the most jewelry gets to open in prayer and read the first question. The verses covered in the sermon are given for reference and don't need to be read out loud, unless needed. Go clockwise from this first person to the next person to read the second question etc...until finished. Please feel free to spend as much time or as little time on each question as the group deems appropriate.

Matthew 20:25-28 Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

+ Share one time you saw someone serving faithfully at church this year and it made a positive impression on you.

? What are some practical simple ways you can serve others this week, this year?

? Is it important that we want to be great in the Kingdom of heaven? How does Jesus support and encourage this idea?

? Why does wanting to be great seem to be counter-intuitive to being a Christian?

John 13:12-17 When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. “Do you understand what I have done for you?” he asked them. “You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

? What does Jesus teach us about the limits of serving here?

? Is this a difficult teaching? Why or why not?

? What does this look like in real life?

? What do you think Jesus means by the phrase “you will be blessed” if you do these things?

+ Share a time where someone else served you and it made a difference in your life, spiritual outlook or emotional well-being.

? When have you served someone and it made a difference in their lives?

The person with the biggest bicep gets to close in prayer!