

The Nature of a Servant Leader
Mark 10:45 – Installation Service
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1) A Nature of Humility – “For even the Son of Man”

A) Jesus Had Status - “Son of Man” was Jesus’ favorite designation He used. It was not a new term but had rich meaning in Hebrew Scriptures. Rather than openly declaring himself as King, he used humble terms referring to Himself. **Ps 8:4; Dan 7:13; Col 1:19**

B) Jesus Had a Secret – Peter confessed Jesus was the Christ, but the disciples had more to learn. Son of Man had to suffer! **Mark 8:31; 1 Cor 10:12; Col 3:12**

2) A Nature of Service – “did not come to be served, but to serve”

Jesus flipped the concept of what a leader looked like! Rather than have servants, Jesus was a servant.

Gk. *Diakoneo* (serve) means to wait on, to minister, to do the small things.
Mark 1:13; 1 Peter 4:10

If even King Jesus served, so should everyone in His kingdom!

3) A Nature of Sacrifice – “and give His life a ransom for many.”

Jesus is describing His ultimate act of service! Ransom means “the price for release.” Jesus’ death, burial, and resurrection (**HIS WORK**) was payment to release humanity from the bondage of sin.

HIS WORK was also **substitutional** and **satisfaction**.
John 10:11; 1 Peter 3:18; Rom 3:25

HIS WORDS and **HIS WORK** proves that He was the Suffering Servant
Isa 53:10-12.

Another prophecy fulfilled by Jesus. Messiah Jesus – both **Son of Man** & **Suffering Servant!**

Application:

God wants one of the hallmarks of the Christian life to be one of sacrifice!

1 John 3:16, 18

