

April 16, 2023 Dan Reid Mark 9:30-37

The greatest in God's Kingdom are humble servants of all

- 1. Share about a person in your life who you consider to be the greatest of all time in terms of their spiritual influence on you.
- 2. What is a specific example from Jesus' life that resonates most with you when you consider him to be the greatest humble servant of all?
- 3. How can followers of Jesus have healthy personal ambition and not fall into the sin of pride?
- 4. What is needed in and around our lives for us to exhibit the kingdom values of "being the very last" and "being the servant of all"? (V. 35)
- 5. Why does Jesus use a little child to illustrate what it means to be a humble servant of all? How does this example challenge your thinking to consider that serving the least among us is welcoming Jesus and our heavenly Father?
- 6. This passage reveals 3 negative effects of pride in our lives and in our church. Discuss these three and the impact pride might be having on you and your church.
 - A. Pride destroys unity
 - B. Pride diminishes self
 - C. Pride rejects God

- 7. What are those unique obstacles and temptations you face in your life that pull you away from your quest for true greatness?
- 8. What are those unique opportunities in your life for true greatness? Who might be the weakest and most vulnerable that you have overlooked serving in your quest for true greatness?