

# Serving Christ And Others

## Worship Through Ministry - Matthew 20:17-34

### Ministry - How did Christ model serving to His Disciples?

#### The Disciples thoughts on greatness

Who is the greatest in the Kingdom? Mt 18:1  
Can my two sons sit beside You in the kingdom? Mt 20:20-21  
They debated which of them would be the greatest Lk 9:46  
Rivalry among them of whom would be the greatest Lk 22:24

#### Where did this thinking come from?

Jesus' teaching - disciples will sit on thrones Mt 19:25  
My sin - "me first" Lk 9:59, 61  
Satan's sin - "worship me" Mt 4:9

#### How did Christ define greatness? Mt 20:17-34

The context - Christ's betrayal, death & resurrection 20:17-19; Lk 9:45-46  
The confusion of the disciples 20:20-24  
James, John & mom's request  
Jesus' response  
You don't know what you're asking  
Can you share the death cup with Me? Acts 12  
The seats are already reserved by My Father  
The 10 respond with indignation - Why?  
The clarity of Christ 20:25-34  
Gentiles - selfish - lord it over people 20:25  
Believers 20:26-27  
Greatness measured by Servanthood; greatest measured by slavery  
Jesus - served & gave His life 20:28; Jn 13:1-17  
- had compassion and healed 20:29-34

#### HOW DOES GOD WANT YOU TO RESPOND TODAY?

Desiring greatness is not evil  
Do you desire your greatness or God's greatness?  
Are you selfish? A servant? A bonds slave?  
God made you, saved you, designed you to display the greatness of His glory Is 61:1-3