



“Strategic Serve Sunday”

Discussion Starter:

- Who would you consider to be great in the world today? Why?
- How did he/she achieve his/her greatness?

In today’s study, we will discuss the importance of serving in the Body of Christ.

1. Open your time together in prayer.
2. Read Matthew 20:24-28. The other disciples overhear James and John, and they become angry. Jesus reminds His disciples about the difference in kingdom greatness and greatness in this world. He reminds them about why He came.
 - a. Why did the disciples get angry? What does it show about their hearts? Would you have reacted the same way? Why or why not?
 - b. Do you find it harder to serve someone you know well or someone you barely know at all?
 - c. Can serving others for our own personal gain dominate us? How can we free ourselves from this?
3. Read John 13:1-5 and 12-15.
 - a. What does a true servant look like according to God?
 - b. Why must a servant serve out of love?
 - c. What are some examples of being a servant that Jesus showed us?
4. Read 1 Peter 4:10. What gifts has God given you to serve others? Be specific.
5. How does 1 Peter 4:11 say that we should serve? Do you do this? Why or why not?
6. How can you love and serve others sincerely this week?
7. Challenge Question: We often think of serving other people outside of our circle of influence. How would your marriage or relationships differ if you started by merely serving your spouse and friends?
8. Close your time in prayer for one another.

