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Mark 9:35; John 13:14, 1 Corinthians 9:20-23; Romans 12:1; Philippians 2:17

BIBLE VERSE: MARK 10:43-45

“But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

BIG IDEAS

- Servants of Jesus don’t use their influence and authority for their own gain.
- Servants of Jesus choose to sacrifice their comfort, control, and ambition by embracing the role of a slave.
- Servants of Jesus follow His example by willingly laying down their lives.

BIBLE PASSAGE: MARK 10:35-45

UNITE - I AM CALLED

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know that...

- They are a servant of Jesus.
- They have been forgiven an unimaginable debt.
- To be a servant means to lay down their lives



Every student should feel...

- Awe at the forgiveness they have experienced in Christ.
- Thankful for the grace that brought them from death to life and into God’s family.
- Unworthy of the mercy and grace they have received



Every student should strive to...

- Forgive anyone who has wronged them as Jesus has forgiven them.
- Walk by faith instead of giving into anxiety.
- Be known by their allegiance to Christ and the gospel.



Every student should want...

- To be faithful and pursue obedience to God.
- To sacrifice their comfort and control for the sake of the gospel.
- To be committed to Christ above all else.

STUDENT WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder what it means to serve sacrificially. We will pray for hearts that are willing to lay everything down to follow Jesus and we will practice dying to self in order to serve sacrificially.

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Read and meditate on Mark 10:35-45 this week.

As you read these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

- What does it mean to serve sacrificially? What are some ways you can serve sacrificially this week?

Consider what it means to embrace the role of slave.

- What negative thoughts do you have about this idea?
- What positive thoughts do you have about this idea?
- How can you follow Jesus' example of being a servant this week?



Spend time each day in prayer this week.

- As you pray, ask for a heart that desires to imitate Jesus' example. Ask for a heart and mind that is willingly to lay it all down to serve Jesus.
- Pray with your small group leader this week. As you pray together, pray for opportunities to serve sacrificially within your church.



Define the word "slave" and "servant."

- Use a Bible Dictionary to define the words as they are used in the Bible. Write down some ways that the Bible's use of the words is different than what the world thinks of these words. Discuss what you discover with your parents.
- Create a list of ways you can serve this week. Think of things you can "sacrifice" in order to serve like Jesus. Discuss these things with your small group leader.