

I AM LEAST IMPORTANT

Points To Ponder:

- In a world that esteems the most important things, in the Kingdom, Jesus esteems those that are deemed least important.
- Least important doesn't mean NON-important.
- 'Most important' is NOW and ME focused.
- 'Least important' is THEN and OTHERS focused.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 19:16-30

- Peter was concerned about 'what was in it for himself' when the rich man walked away from Jesus.
- Peter was confused about who could even have a chance to be saved.
- Jesus redirected Peter's anxiety by focusing him onto the results at the end of life.
- Jesus helped Peter be less ME FOCUSED and become more KINGDOM FOCUSED.
- Jesus esteems those in are least important as GREAT in the scope of the Kingdom.

HOW TO BECOME LEAST IMPORTANT

1. Stop asking the question, "WHAT ABOUT ME?" (Mark 9:30-35)

- Why is this question so detrimental to Jesus' way?
- How can this question hinder you from being LEAST important?
- Do you still ask this question? If so, why and about what?
- Do you struggle seeing others blessed while you seemingly are not blessed?
- How do you feel when you see someone getting an answer when you are still struggling to see the answer you need?
- To be least you must learn to SERVE EVERYONE. Is it hard for you to serve people you don't like? How do you handle it?

2. Don't let your HABITS HINDER God's best in your life. (Luke 22:47-51)

- Peter's rash habit (wielding a sword) cuts the high priest's servants ear off.
- Do you have habits that may be hindering God's plan for your life?
- Do you have habits that may be hindering how others view Jesus?
- When your habits hinder another from God's best you are not being the 'least' of these. Why do you think this is so?
- Should we care if our habits impact others? Why?

3. You have to FORGIVE even those you are justified to hate. (Matthew 18:21-35)

- It's easy to play the part of 'least' in the room when you like and respect everyone.
- How well do you play the 'least' when you don't like someone?
- Why is forgiveness a sign you are becoming the "LEAST"?
- Who do you need to forgive?