# THY KINGDOM COME: A LIFE OF SERVICE

Mark 10:35-45

# The ambition of James and John Sin nature - callousness toward Jesus

Disciples' indignation met with Jesus' upside-down Kingdom teaching

Wanna be great? Become a servant Want to be first? Become a slave "Even the Son of Man..."

## NOT TO BE SERVED, BUT TO SERVE

John 13:1-17

Vs. 3 No identity crisis

Vs. 4 "So..."

Vs. 13 Again, no identity confusion

Vss. 14-17 We're not greater than our Master

Phil. 2:1-11

#### CALLED TO A LIFE OF SERVICE

Eph. 2:10 "God...prepared in advance good works for us to do" (eternal impact - Matt 5:16; 1 Peter 2:12)

1 Peter 4:8-10 "use whatever gift (you) have received to serve others"

1 Cor. 12; Romans 12:3-8; Eph. 4:11-16 Is service limited to gifting? Uh... no

#### SERVE AS IF FOR CHRIST HIMSELF

Col. 3:23-24

Sometimes people are hard to serve, unappreciative, critical, demanding...

Matthew 25:31-46

#### THE WORKERS ARE FEW

Matthew 9:35-38

"The Harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few."

('My House is Full' lyrics)

### A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT

"God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them."

- Hebrews 6:10