

# NOTES & QUESTIONS

## RULER WITH A SERVANT'S HEART

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MARK 10:35-45

### Introduction

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ Attitude

2. A \_\_\_\_\_ Lifestyle

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3. A \_\_\_\_\_ Readiness

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

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1. Describe someone who's been a leader-with-a-servant's heart in your life. What do you admire about them? What do you think are the tell-tale signs of a servant's heart? (List as many as possible.)
2. Read Mark 10:35-37. In light of what just happened in the previous passage (see vv. 32-34), what makes James and John's request so crass? Pretend you're James or John, justifying your request to the other disciples. What would you say?
3. Make a list of the tell-tale signs of a self-seeking attitude. Which of these are you susceptible to at times? Explain.
4. Reread Mark 10:36. What question does Jesus ask James and John? If Jesus were to ask you that question today, and you were to respond in an others-focused way, how would you answer?
5. Read Mark 10:38-44. Why do you think the other disciples were indignant with James and John? What did Jesus mean by "drink the cup" and "be baptized with the baptism" as applied to his followers? What does this have to do with the passage's theme of serving? Describe a recent time when it cost you something to serve others. What motivated you to pay the cost?
6. Are you participating in Christ Community's Great Days of Serving? If yes, where are you serving and why? If no, what's kept you from jumping in? What might be some of the costs of participating in GDOS? So, why do it?
7. How does a person determine where God is calling them to serve (in general)? In what areas of ministry at Christ Community have you served that proved to be a good fit for you? What made it a good fit? Any bad fit attempts? Explain.
8. According to a national survey, what's the #1 common denominator among young people who continue to follow Jesus after high school (from the sermon)? Why do you think this is the case?
9. Make a list of contrasts between worldly-style leadership and Jesus-style leadership (see vv.42-44). Why do you think Jesus-style leadership is so winsome (multiple answers)?
10. Read Mark 10:45. What are the two key verbs in this verse and how does Jesus model each? What do these two behaviors have in common? Which of the two do you find easiest/hardest to do? Explain.
11. What's your best takeaway and personal application from this study?