



The Big Boss

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Icebreaker: Without naming names, who's the best boss you've ever had, and what made them great?

Bonus: What would your current boss' mug say?



- 1) "...Not by the way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart." (Ephesians 6:6) Paul invented a word for work that only happens when someone is watching. Where are you most tempted toward eye-service, and what changes when you remember the Big Boss sees all of it?
- 2) "Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust." (1 Peter 2:18) What's the difference between serving Christ through a difficult boss and simply being a doormat?
- 3) "We must obey God rather than men." (Acts 5:29) Daniel respected those in authority, refused to sin, and was ready to pay the cost. Has your work ever pushed against your convictions? If so, which of those three responses is hardest for you?
- 4) "Masters, do the same to them, and stop your threatening, knowing that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and that there is no partiality with him." (Ephesians 6:9) If you lead anyone (team, classroom, staff, household, etc.) which habit is harder for you to break: fear or favorites? And why?
- 5) "Masters, treat your bondservants justly and fairly, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven." (Colossians 4:1) Laval walked away with this line: "Power makes responsibility optional; leadership makes you own it." Where in your life do you have power, and what would it look like to own the responsibility that comes with it?
- 6) "Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who... emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant." (Philippians 2:5-7) Max De Pree wrote that a leader's last responsibility is to say thank you, and in between, the leader must become a servant. Who is one person you could serve or thank this week, whether they work above you, beside you, or under you?