

Saved to Serve - Matthew 20:20-28

- 1. Read Matthew 20:20-28. Why was Jesus's response to the mother of James and John so counter to the prevailing understanding of hierarchy?
- 2. As a culture, Americans have learned how to be served very well. From slogans like "Have it your way" to "You deserve it," we are constantly inundated with the idea that we need to be served when Jesus calls us to do the opposite. How do we buck the trend of being served and move more toward serving others?
- 3. Many fail to recognize how much the Lord wants to use them by falling into the "season" trap of not serving others. Have you ever allowed this "seasonal" excuse in your life? How long was the season? How did you get out of it? If you are in a season now, do you see an end to the season?
- 4. Would you describe yourself as an owner or a renter at Calvary Chapel Oceanside? In what way are you an owner? In what way are you a renter?
- 5. How can you encourage more people toward "ownership" if you are an owner? If you are a renter, in what ways do you need to grow to get out of the "renting" cycle?
- 6. Read and discuss Matthew 25:14-30.

