



FROM THE BIBLE
Matt 20:20-28 (NLT)
1 Cor 10:31 (NLT)

MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE

I Think Life Is All About me

1. In this message, Joel started out by sharing about a pool fight at his neighborhood pool over a family playing catch with a ball. 1 person at the pool didn't like that a ball was being thrown and because that's not what he wanted, he threw a fit. Have you ever seen a situation where someone acts like life is all about them?
2. The *blank* we filled in for this message was, *I think life is all about me*? Give an example or area in your life where you act like life is all about you?
3. The big idea in this message was that *the more I live like 'life is all about me' the more unhappy I am; but the more I live like 'life is all about we' the happier we all are*. Discuss that concept.
4. Read Matt 20:20-22. What is the self absorbed request that James, John & their mom is making? How can you relate to this in your life?
5. Read Matt 20:22-23. A lot of times, we want *all the benefits* of life without *all the burdens* that come with it. What was the burden that Jesus shared to James & John's request? What are some of the *burdens* that come with the *benefit* of success or parenting or fitness?
6. In this message, Joel said there's 2 approaches to life, *The Me, Myself, & I Approach (self absorbed)* and *The Jesus Approach (self surrendered)*. Can you give some examples of each?
7. Read 1 Cor 10:31b. Instead of doing things for ourselves, Paul suggests we do things for God's glory. How can we change our approach to everyday tasks so that we do them for God's glory & what difference does that make?
8. Read Matt 20:26-28. Describe something that you like to be 1st at (i.e. board games, fastest checkout line, beating the 'arrival time' on the GPS). What does Jesus say gets us in 1st place in His Kingdom?
9. The takeaway homework in this message was, *when you start thinking, 'life is all about me' start asking 'how can I help you?'* What are some situations that you can apply this homework in this week?