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Jesus said, "No one can become my disciple without giving up everything for Me." He doesn't want just a part—He wants to be the whole thing! He wants it all. The biblical word for it is *Lordship*. The word Lord *literally* means *boss, master, owner*. To be a disciple, you have to acknowledge Him as the boss.

BIG IDEA: A disciple makes Jesus the Boss by giving Jesus control over everything.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Name a time when you *rented* something that broke and you didn't have to fix it. Now, recall a time when you *owned* something that broke, and you had to pay for it.
- 2. Read Psalm 50:10-12, 1 Chronicles 29:11, *Deuteronomy 8:17-18*, and 1 Corinthians 4:7. What does God own? What do you own?

The word *Lord* literally means *boss, master, owner, one in charge*. A disciple submits to Jesus by giving Him control over everything. If we're going to be a disciple, we must make Jesus Lord over us. And to make Jesus Lord, we give Him control of our life.

- 3. Read Daniel 4:30-37. What happened to Nebuchadnezzar when he didn't make God boss? What happened when Nebuchadnezzar decided to make God boss?
- 4. Read Matthew 25:14-30. My opinion of the Master is that...
 - a. He was too harsh with his servant
 - c. His reaction was justified

- b. He was not hard enough on the servant
- d. I'm glad I don't work for him.
- 5. Chris said, "If you live your life like it is yours, then God has no obligation to fix it. Because you're living it like it is yours." Do you agree or disagree?
- 6. How would you have felt if you were the one who only received one talent/bag of silver? (remember, just one talent/one bag of silver equals \$840,000 of today's dollars!)
- 7. What happened to the two servants who doubled their investment?
- 8. Why do you think the servant with the one talent hid his money?

a. He was lazy

b. He had no initiative

c. He was afraid of his master

d. He had low self-confidence

- 9. In what way is the times we live in and our situation like these three servants? (Who is our Master? How long has He been gone? What excuses do people use today to not do what He says with what He gives us?)
- 10. What is your favorite excuse for not using your resources for God's kingdom?

a. I don't have any resources

b. I'm afraid I might fail

c. I'm tired

d. I'm not as talented as...

e. I've got some problems

f. I'm too busy building my own kingdom

VERSES TO GO DEEPER

Luke 12:8-34, Acts 2:44-45, 2 Corinthians 9, Luke 16:1-16; 1 Timothy 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

