

Cypress Church

True North

Week 4 Study Guide

Main Point: This week we conclude the True North series focusing on the core values of Cypress Church. As we enter into Holy Week preparing ourselves for the celebration of Easter, how fitting that we dive deep into the value of serving by taking a closer look into the life of service that Jesus lived and modeled for each of us.

Cypress Core Values

This week's value: We wholeheartedly serve to make an impact.

Read Matthew 20:26-28

- How have you sacrificed for your friends, family, spouse, children, or anyone else in your sphere of influence?
- Who in your life has made a sacrifice for you? What was it?

Read Philippians 2:1-7

- How would you differentiate 'acts of service' versus being a 'servant'?
- What are the characteristics of a servant?
- What acts of service do you engage in?

When we serve...

1. **We prove our faith.**
2. **We live like Christ.**

Serving requires sacrifice of our pride and self-interest.

Read John 13:12-17

- Whose feet will you wash this week?
- How will you sacrifice your time, energy, resources THIS week to serve someone else?

Further Actions & Readings:

- James 1-2. We are called to Faith AND Action.
- Matthew 13. We are called to Discipleship AND Evangelism.
- Discuss some ways as a group that you can serve together. Act on it!
- The Bible Project has an explanation video for John 13-21, the final hours of Jesus' life. https://youtu.be/RUfh_wOsauk
- Identify and pray for the individuals you are inviting to Easter.