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Father's Day 2018 June 17, 2018

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 - In what ways have we been living out our **family** identity recently? How will we do this in the next couple weeks?
 - How have we lived as **servants** to one another or to our world this past week? What needs or opportunities to serve is God asking us to lean into?
 - How have we lived **on mission** where we live, work, play, or went this past week? Who do we know that needs to hear the good news of Jesus?
- 3) What did you find most helpful, encouraging, or challenging in this message?
- 4) What do you think of Jesus' declaration that the path to greatness is self-forgetful service? Suffering? Do you agree? Disagree? Why?
- 5) What do you think of Stonebraker's statement that Christianity is radical? That In becoming fully human in Jesus, God behaved decidedly unlike a god?
- 6) Have you ever served in a way that involved suffering for you? Have you ever avoided serving because suffering was involved? Share your experience and what you learned.
- 7) How can we cope with the suffering that self-forgetful service often involves? How can knowing that Jesus served us and suffered for us help us?
- 8) Where are you not living self-forgetfully? Living not to serve, but to be served? Living for your own self-glorification, self-advancement, and self-fulfillment?



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SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

The Path to Greatness

Father's Day 2018 With David Hood June 17, 2018



Mark 10:32-45

They were now on the way up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. The disciples were filled with awe, and the people following behind were overwhelmed with fear. Taking the twelve disciples aside, Jesus once more began to describe everything that was about to happen to him. ³³ "Listen," he said, "we're going up to Jerusalem, where the Son of Man will be betrayed to the leading priests and the teachers of religious law. They will sentence him to die and hand him over to the Romans. ³⁴ They will mock him, spit on him, flog him with a whip, and kill him, but after three days he will rise again."

- ³⁵ Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came over and spoke to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do us a favor."
 - ³⁶ "What is your request?" he asked.
- ³⁷ They replied, "When you sit on your glorious throne, we want to sit in places of honor next to you, one on your right and the other on your left."
- ³⁸ But Jesus said to them, "You don't know what you are asking! Are you able to drink from the bitter cup of suffering I am about to drink? Are you able to be baptized with the baptism of suffering I must be baptized with?"
 - 39 "Oh yes," they replied, "we are able!"

Then Jesus told them, "You will indeed drink from my bitter cup and be baptized with my baptism of suffering. ⁴⁰ But I have no right to say who will sit on my right or my left. God has prepared those places for the ones he has chosen."

⁴¹ When the ten other disciples heard what James and John had asked, they were indignant. ⁴² So Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers in this world lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them. ⁴³ But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first among you must be the slave of everyone else. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many."

- Jesus' cup is God's anger against human evil
- Jesus' baptism is Him being immersed in our calamity
- God is angry because He is love

The <u>cross</u> shows us God's love is not a <u>general</u> love but a <u>costly</u> love

Romans 5:6-8 While we were still helpless, at the appointed moment, Christ died for the ungodly. For rarely will someone die for a just personthough for a good person perhaps someone might even dare to die. But God proves His own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us! (HCSB)

- Jesus' Kingdom is often called the "upside-down" kingdom
- In Jesus' Kingdom, those who are great, serve
- Humility is self-forgetfulness

Philippians 2:5-11 You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross. Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honour and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Self-forgetful service entails suffering

BIG IDEA: In Jesus' Kingdom, the path to <u>greatness</u> is <u>self-forgetful</u> service and suffering

Jesus served us all the way to the <u>cross</u> to make us a family of <u>self-forgetful</u>, suffering servants

The Translation of the Bible Scriptures used in today's 10:10 service are from the New Living Translation (NLT).