

THE GOAT

G R E A T E S T O F A L L T I M E

Pt. 3: Jesus

Questions for further study and application:

- Day 1 Today's culture tends to be more self-centered, and a lot of people around you think that the way to become great is to put themselves first. Read Luke 22:24-27. Jesus defines greatness differently; He said service is what makes a person great. Which is counter cultural. God uses us to serve one another and there are countless ways to do just that. You can touch the lives of others and show them the love of Jesus by serving in your community. If you haven't already, visit our Love Week page at watersedgechurch.net/loveweek to find a wide variety of projects you can participate in this week!
- Day 2 The discipline of serving others defines true greatness. Read Romans 12:9-13. In the hustle and bustle of your week, being focused on serving others is likely not at the top of your to do list. So, how do you begin to make that shift with your attitude? The answer is God; He has the power to help you begin to change your heart and teach you to show others kindness and compassion. Pray this week for Him to help you have that change of heart; then listen and be ready to respond once you feel that nudge from the Holy Spirit.
- Day 3 Sometimes life can get hectic and challenging, and it's in those times that it can be difficult to see the good in your life. Jesus' remedy for that is to serve others because serving satisfies. Read Luke 6:35. There have been studies on the positive effects of giving your time. Some of the side effects they tracked were lower rates of depression, increased life satisfaction, and even less illness. Those are some really great rewards. Think about your schedule and what may be getting in the way of serving. Are you saying yes too often or simply doing too much? Ask Jesus to help you identify what can be set aside and free up your time to give back.
- Day 4 Read John 13:4-5 and John 13:12-17. In this story, Jesus breaks every cultural norm and sets the example of being a servant. Jesus consistently thought of others before He thought of Himself. Consider the needs of those around you. Try to put yourself in their situation and treat them as you would like to be treated. This is often referred to as the golden rule found in Matthew 7:12 which says, "So, in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you..." So, as you are going through your day, think about who God might be putting in your path that could use some prayer or help, and treat them how you would want to be treated.
- Day 5 Everything good we experience is a gift from God, and He gives us the means to be able to do good for others. Read Proverbs 11:25. When you allow yourself to be used by God, you'll see that you are also being blessed as you bless others. Start with simple acts of kindness. You can smile and offer a kind word to someone. Send a note of encouragement to someone who is going through a hard time. You never know what a difference you could make in someone's day.

What's New?

Love Week is this week from July 24-29!

We have projects for people of all ages and all skill sets! Join us in changing the way people think about church! Sign up for projects at watersedgechurch.net/loveweek