

The Gospel in Action (24)

Only Jesus

Mark 10:32-45

Intro: Asking Too Much

I. Third Passion Prediction (v. 32-34)

II. Delusions of Grandeur (v. 35-41)

III. Redefining Greatness (v. 42-45)

Conclusion: Asking Too Little

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Jesus says NO to the request of James and John because they don't know what they are truly asking for. (Jesus will be glorified at the CROSS... do they really want to be on his right and left?). What does this tell you about some of your own prayer requests? And how might it actually be the MERCY of God that causes Him to deny those requests?
2. Have you ever been upset or bothered because somebody else received recognition or a promotion that you desired for yourself? What does that tell you about the default state of the human heart?
3. Jesus points to the way Earthly Rulers exercise power and says to His Disciples, "Not so with YOU." What are your personal takeaways from this statement? How did God speak to your heart?
4. PD said "The church does not only exist for OUR sake, but God brings us here for the sake of the CHURCH." It's not only about what you receive from church, but what you BRING. What gifts has God given you to share with the church? What do you bring when you come on a Sunday morning or during the week?