



Welcome!

2022 LENTEN SERIES: KEEP GOING!

Today's Message: Keep Serving
Dr. Lance D. Watson, Senior Pastor

PRAYER: You call us to serve and through our serving to change the world. We're determined this Lent to *keep serving*. Thank you for Jesus Christ, who through his example showed us that the way up is down. Give us the courage and humility to live a life of service in a world that disrespects and dishonors those who serve. Focus our eyes and attention on Christ, who for the joy set before him endured the Cross, despised the shame, and sat down at your right hand. Make us an illustration of your infinite mercy. In the abiding, awesome, and amazing name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

ICEBREAKER: What did your parents want you to be when you grew up? What career ambition did you have at 12? At 20? At 30? Share it with the group.

INTRODUCTION: Dr. Marian Wright Edelman said, "Service is the rent we pay for living." In this text, Jesus teaches that the way up is first down, that the path to greatness is the path to service. In a world that values "being served," we are called to offer ourselves in the image of our Redeemer, as servants to the entire world. Serve up!

SCRIPTURE: Read St. Mark 10:35-45 (NIV)

DISCUSSION:

1. What stood out in today's message? What's one thing you learned? What questions came to mind as you listened to the message today? What points did you find most insightful? How did the message challenge you?
2. How does Jesus' life as a servant influence your view of spiritual power? Greatness? Relationships? Our use of spiritual gifts?
3. How and why do we find ourselves desiring to be "first chair" in God's orchestra or "first string" on God's team?
4. How does Jesus use the uproar among his disciples as a result of James and John request to be greatest to convey new insights into what greatness truly is? How does Jesus "practice what he preached" in this story?

CHALLENGE: What is one "a-ha" moment you had in our group discussion today. Note it and write it down. If you applied your learning from this week's message, how would the next week be different for you?

SERVE: How is God calling us to live out this message this week? As individuals? As a group?

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ANNOUNCEMENTS: Take this time to share group announcements. Church wide and campus specific announcements can be found at www.myspbc.org. You can also “find, follow and like” our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/myspbc. Turn on your notifications.

CELEBRATIONS: Take this time to share praise reports (e.g., answered prayers, birthdays, anniversaries, promotions).

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAYER: Take this time to share prayer requests. Close with prayer.

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We Care!

NOTICE: PLEASE BE PATIENT AS WE GRADUALLY REOPEN OUR CAMPUSES IN THE SAFEST MANNER POSSIBLE. As a small group leader, we depend on you to show members that we care. Here's a list of resources to help you.

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FOR COUNSELING:

CALL: 804.643.6177

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TO REQUEST A HOSPITAL VISIT:

CALL: 804.304.3890 (For Emergencies)

EMAIL: ecare@myspbc.org.

TO REQUEST FUNERAL SUPPORT:

CALL: 804.304.3890 (Pastor On Call)

EMAIL: ecare@myspbc.org.

TO FIND A SUPPORT GROUP:

CALL: 804.643.6177

EMAIL: Barnabas@myspbc.org.

TO REQUEST EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE:

CALL: 804.643.4000

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