

Reflection Questions: Luke 22:24-27 & John 13:1-7, 12-17

For the message, "I Am Among You As One Who Serves" given by Pastor John Ferguson at Mercy Hill Church in Bryan/College Station, Texas, on ***October 2, 2016***

These discussion questions are designed primarily to help you apply the message from the Scriptures by helping you think through application to your personal life, your church life, and your city's life.

You can use these by yourself for reflection, or with your family or small group for discussion.

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INTRODUCTION

Pray. Take a moment to pray asking God to guide you in reflecting upon the Scripture text.

Read the Scripture text: Lue 22:24-27 & John 13:1-7, 12-17

A summary of the message: Pride reared it's ugly head in the life of the disciples at the most unimaginable moment when they were sharing a meal with Jesus just hours before he was arrested, tried, and crucified. Jesus uses this opportunity to teach and model for his disciples humility and servanthood and true greatness.

Key Quotes:

- Brené Brown: "We spend too much precious time and energy managing perception and creating carefully edited versions of ourselves to show to the world."
- John Stott, "At every stage of our Christian development and in every sphere of our Christian discipleship, pride is the greatest enemy and humility our greatest friend."
- Mark 10:43-45, "Whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Bottom Line:

- If you want to know how to define greatness, look no further than Jesus Christ. He is the King of kings and Lord of lords who is at the same time the Servant of servants.
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Let's get started...

- What grabs your attention in this text? How are you challenged, convicted, encouraged, or surprised by this text?

QUESTIONS

1. Let's think about how this text applies to our lives as individuals.

- How does this text clarify what God wants to do in my life? In other words, "What kind of me is God calling me to be?"
- How would my life look differently if I were to really live out the message of this text?

2. Let's think about how this text applies to us as a community of Jesus' followers.

- What kind of community of faith is this text calling us to become? What would we need to change? What would we need to repent of?

- What is the cost if we are not transformed by this text? In other words, what is lost if we ignore the message?

3. Let's think about how this text applies to our city.

- How does this text challenge the thinking of our city?

- What kind of new life / future in Christ is this text calling our city to experience?

CONCLUSION QUESTION

What is the one thing you want to take away from this study to remember or to make a change in your life?

PRAYER

What are some ways you can turn what you are learning into prayer? List them as bullet points....

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