

Message Study Guide

(Scriptures & quotes from this week's message are available on thorncreek.church/live)

Warming up

1. Who is the greatest person you know and why do you consider them great??

Digging Deeper & Application

Take your time reading the scripture given. If possible look up the verses in different versions and pause at each verse and discuss it.

2. How does this world define great people?
3. Please read Mark 9:33-35, Matthew 20:20-28, & John 13:12-17. What jumps out at you?
 - a. How does Jesus define greatness?
4. If all your prayers were answered, would anyone outside of yourself benefit from them?
5. Read Romans 5:12 and 2 Timothy 3:1-5. Why do we have a desire to be self-centered?
6. Please read Philippians 2:1-11; Jesus shows us what greatness looks like. What do you think about what Jesus has to say in this passage?
7. Please read Colossians 1:15-17. Who is Jesus according to these verses?
8. "Jesus gave up the glory of a face-to-face relationship with God for the muck of this earth. He relinquished the adoring presence of angels for the spittle of men." - John MacArthur
9. Please read Philippians 2:7 in three different Bible versions. What did Jesus do?

10. What Jesus did in Philippians 2:7 is known as the "kenosis of Christ." Kenosis is the Greek word for "emptied."

- a. What does it mean to live a Kenosis life?

- b. What does that look like in your life?

- c. Will you empty your life before God today?

Application

Below are some of the points shared in the message. Discuss how they apply to your life.

- God calls us to be a Selfless Servant.

- "Jesus teaches us that if serving is beneath us, then greatness is beyond us." - Kevin Queen

- "Our greatest fear should not be of failure but of succeeding at things in life that don't really matter." - Francis Chan