



“Followers Serve” Matthew 20:20-28

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We all have a bit of a _____ mindset

Five differences between Fans and Followers:

	FAN	FOLLOWER
Calling	Religion	Relationship
Commitment	Consumer	Committed
Motivation	Selfish	Selfless
Consistency	Fickle	Faithful
Perseverance	Step Out	Step Up



Introduction to Matthew 20:20-28

- Who were Zebedee's sons?
- Who was their mom?
- Did the disciples understand what it meant to “drink the cup” that Jesus was about to drink? [See Matt. 20:17-19]
- Why were the other disciples “greatly displeased?”

Three main points in Jesus’ lesson ...

1. What Greatness _____ (v. 25-26a)

- “Lord it over” = Like a ruthless dictator that is “King of the Hill.”
- According to Jesus, greatness was about _____, not Lording.
(I Peter 5:1-3 “... nor as being lords over those entrusted to you ...”)

- The disciples still had a _____ mindset and needed this lesson on greatness to be repeated. (Luke 22:24-30)
- Jesus turned the worldly idea of greatness _____.

Application: How do you measure greatness? Have you bought in to a worldly mindset of success and power?

2. What Greatness _____ (v. 26b-27)

- A “_____” was someone on the lowest rung of the hired help ladder.
- A “_____” was even lower, having no rights of their own.

How does the world define success? By how many people _____.
How does Jesus define success? By how many people _____.

- What are some ways to serve?
- Today we praise God for a 41-year legacy of serving at SLC !!!!

Application: Are you serving your wife/husband; parent/children; etc.?

3. What Greatness _____ (v. 28)

- Greatness looks like _____!
- Three passages that give insight into how Jesus served:
 - Luke 18:35-43 “what do you want me to do for you?”
 - Philippians 2:3-8 “Let this mind be in you ...”
 - John 13:12-17 “... blessed are you if you do them.”
- Fans love to _____; Followers love to _____.

Application: If you are not serving, jump in and get started! If you are serving a little, look for greater opportunities. If you are serving a lot, continue to allow God to work through you and grow to be even more like Jesus.