

Servant Leadership

There are 2 positions of _____ in the Body of Christ. Their is the _____ position of servant leadership and then there is the _____ position of servant leadership.

Mark 10: 32-45

Jesus' Sufferings Foretold

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James and John, the two sons of Zebedee, came up to Jesus, saying, "Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask of You." And He said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" They said to Him, "Grant that we may sit, one on Your right and one on Your left, in Your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to Him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you shall drink; and you shall be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized. But to sit on My right or on My left, this is not Mine to give; but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

Hearing this, the ten began to feel indignant with James and John. Calling them to Himself, Jesus said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them; and their great men exercise authority over them. But it is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant; and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

We are all _____ to be _____ who are _____ leaders. Because we are all _____ to be _____, _____ leadership is the _____ of all.

Mark 10:42-44

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You will never know if you are truly a _____ leader until you get _____ like a _____. This is what _____ your _____ as a son.

Luke 17:7-10

"Which of you, having a slave plowing or tending sheep, will say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come immediately and sit down to eat'? But will he not say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat, and properly clothe yourself and serve me while I eat and drink; and afterward you may eat and drink'? He does not thank the slave because he did the things which were commanded, does he? So you too, when you do all the things which are commanded you, say, 'We are unworthy slaves; we have done only that which we ought to have done.'"

Godly _____ don't _____ or _____ for anything in _____ for serving their Father's purpose. The _____ that they get the _____ to serve and _____ in serving the Father purpose, is their _____, _____, and _____.

_____ who are _____ leaders _____ their _____ Ways and not their _____.

Mark 10:45

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_____ who are _____, always _____ their _____ and _____ ahead of anyone else's.

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As servant leaders we need to ask _____ 2 questions.

1. "_____ are _____ really _____?"
2. "Am I ready to _____ in _____ Jesus?"

1 Peter 4:12-19

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal among you, which comes upon you for your testing, as though some strange thing were happening to you; but to the degree that you share the sufferings of Christ, keep on rejoicing, so that also at the revelation of His glory you may rejoice with exultation. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. Make sure that none of you suffers as a murderer, or thief, or evildoer, or a troublesome meddler; but if anyone suffers as a Christian, he is not to be ashamed, but is to glorify God in this name. For it is time for judgment to begin with the household of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And if it is with difficulty that the righteous is saved, what will become of the godless man and the sinner? Therefore, those also who suffer according to the will of God shall entrust their souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right.

We need to be _____ to our Father more than we are _____ to our Father, otherwise we serve from a _____ motive, looking to be _____ by _____ for our service.

Luke 15:29-30

But he answered and said to his father, 'Look! For so many years I have been serving you and I have never neglected a command of yours; and yet you have never given me a young goat, so that I might celebrate with my friends; but when this son of yours came, who has devoured your wealth with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him.'

Sons who are servant leaders, use their _____ to _____ the people up, not to _____ their authority _____ the people, keeping them _____.

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Jesus is the _____ of what a _____, who is a _____ looks like and we are to be like Christ and walk in the _____ in which He walked.

Philippians 2:1-11

Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

1. Why is it vital that every follower of Jesus has a revealed position of sonship, when it comes to being a servant Leader in the body?
2. What are the consequences in the body, when sons serve from a position of being a slave, rather than being a son?
3. The older brother in the prodigal son story served his father from this position of being a slave rather than a son. How many of us find we relate to the older brother position and why do we think this may be?
4. How does the Philippians 2:1-11 passage become more and more of our true reality in Christ as sons of God?