

Sermon Notes | Multiply Series- 2 Timothy

Multiply- Serve

Multiply- Pray-**Serve**-Give

Week 1- Your life is for more than you.

Week 2- Your church is for more than you.

A. The Tendency We Have (Mark 10:32-38)

³² And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³ saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴ And they will mock him and spit on him and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

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³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, **we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.**" ³⁶ And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ 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?"

B. The Teaching of Jesus (Mark 10:42-44)

⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³ **But it shall not be so among you.** But whoever would be **great** among you must be your **servant**, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be **first** among you must be **slave of all**."

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3. Your World (v.43b-44)

But whoever would be **great** among you must be your **servant**,⁴⁴ and whoever would **be first** among you must be **slave** of all.

Diakonos- servant- *WHAT I DO*.

Doulos- 'slave'/'bond-servant'- *WHO I AM*.

Exodus 21:5-6

⁵ But if the slave plainly says, 'I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free,' ⁶ then his master shall bring him to God, and he shall bring him to the door or the doorpost. And his master shall bore his ear through with an awl, and he shall be his slave forever.

C. The Trustworthiness of Jesus (Mark 10:45)

⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to **give his life** as a **ransom** for many."

Big Idea: Transferring Ownership to Jesus is the Best Way.

Matthew 16:25

"For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

Romans 6:16

"Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?"

What Does the Transferred Life look like?

Romans 12:1

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to **present your bodies as a living sacrifice**, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship."

1. Be Alive- *"living"*

2. Be Dead- *"sacrifice"*

Study Guide | **Multiply- Serve** - January 2025

1. What are some of the ways God has wired you to serve? What do you love? What has been hard? What are the reasons we serve Jesus, and His body, the Church?

2. **Read Mark 10:32-38.** Discuss the difference in mindset between Jesus and James and John. Give examples of times when we say to Jesus, "*We want you to do for us whatever we ask.*" (v.35). Why is that not a good approach? Discuss.

3. **Read Mark 10:42-44.** Discuss worldly leadership tendencies, and what servant-leadership should look like among Christians.

4. **Read Mark 10:43b-44.** Now Jesus takes it to another level! Notice that there is a difference between a "servant" (diakonos), and a "slave" (doulos). According to Mosaic law, the price was paid for a slave, and then you were owned for 6 years until you were free to go. All your needs were taken care of, and you were to be treated with dignity according to Mosaic law. However, in **Exodus 21:5-6**, if the slave finds that he loves his master, he can choose to stay for the rest of his life as a slave. What do you see as the difference between serving Christ and being a "slave" to Christ? Discuss.

5. **Read Mark 10:45.** Notice that Jesus not only came to be a servant, but to 'give his life' (*doulon- root word for slave*), as a 'ransom' (*Gr- the price paid for a slave*), so that we could walk free. How does that make you want to follow and serve Jesus? Discuss.

6. Read Romans 12:1.

How does this image of a 'living sacrifice' help you to understand what it means to 'give your life' away for Jesus? What are the implications? What does that look like in your daily routines?

What does it mean for you to both of these at the same time:

- a. Alive- "living"
- b. Dead- "sacrifice"