

Looking Like Jesus
House Church – Week 5
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Main Slide

We live in a world where we spend a lot of time and energy trying to be the light.

God's Kingdom works differently than the rest of the world.

Then the mother of Zebedee's sons (this would have been James and John) came to Jesus with her sons and, kneeling down, asked a favor of him. "What is it you want?" he asked. She said, "Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom."

"You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said to them. "Can you drink the cup I am going to drink?"

"We can," they answered.

Jesus said to them, "You will indeed drink from my cup, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared by my Father."

When the ten heard about this, they were indignant with the two brothers. Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them.

Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

– Matthew 20:20-28

Personal power and status are not things that matter to God because God's Kingdom works differently than the world.

We look most like Jesus when we give and serve.

The greatest people in God's kingdom are the ones who give of themselves for the betterment of others.

Prayers, Presence, **Gifts, Service**, Witness

Gift 1: Time

There are 24 hours in a day, this doesn't change no matter who you are

Ephesians 5:15-16a: Be very careful, then, how you live –not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity,

You are the boss of your schedule, not the other way around.

Gift 2: Talent

Everyone is talented at something and we're all talented at different things.

The gifts you've been given are for the benefit of God's kingdom.

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. – 1 Peter 4:10

Gift 3: Treasure

Whatever our hearts hold onto the tightest is most likely what can cause the most division in our relationship with him.

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

– Matthew 6:19

How do I get started?

1. Do Something Easy
2. Do Something Together
3. Do Something That Stretches You

Generosity is giving or doing more than what is expected.

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. – 2 Corinthians 9:7

*One person gives freely, yet gains even more;
another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty.
A generous person will prosper;
whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.
-Proverbs 11:24-25*

Looking like Jesus starts with a decision!

We look most like Jesus when we give and serve. That's called being a witness.