

Deacon Ordination & Installation Service



**Jesus: Our Model of
Servant Leadership
Mark 10:35-45**



Mark 10:35–45 (NKJV)

35 Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, “Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask.”

36 And He said to them, “What do you want Me to do for you?”

37 They said to Him, “Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory.”



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38 But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?”

39 They said to Him, “We are able.” So Jesus said to them, “You will indeed drink the cup that I drink, and with the baptism I am baptized with you will be baptized;



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40 but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared.”

41 And when the ten heard it, they began to be greatly displeased with James and John.

42 But Jesus called them to Himself and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.



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43 Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant.

44 And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all.

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II. Servant Leadership: the Illustration (John 13:1-17)

12 So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you?”

13 You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am.



II. Servant Leadership: the Illustration (John 13:1-17)

14 If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

15 For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you.

16 Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him.



II. Servant Leadership: the Illustration (John 13:1-17)

17 If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.





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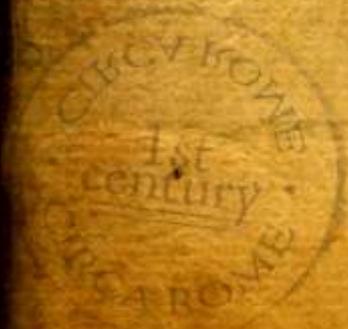
5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,

6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,
7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.



III. Servant Leadership: the Application (Philippians 2:1-11)

8 And being found in appearance as a man,
He humbled Himself and became obedient
to the point of death, even the death of the
cross.





CHARGE TO THE DEACONS:

In the presence of God and this assembly, and on behalf of the members of this church, I charge you to fulfill faithfully the office to which you have been set apart this morning, setting before us a commendable example of servant leadership. I further charge you to assist this pastor in my efforts to shepherd this congregation and to advance the gospel through this ministry.



QUESTIONS TO THE DEACONS:

Do you believe the Scriptures as written in the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and do you accept them as the only inspired, inerrant, infallible, and all-sufficient rule of faith and practice? If so, then please answer,

“With the help of God, I do.”



QUESTIONS TO THE DEACONS:

Have you personally adopted and will you cheerfully submit to and defend the Covenant, Baptist Confession of Faith of 1689, Constitution, and By-laws of this church? If so, then please answer,

“With the help of God, I do.”





QUESTIONS TO THE DEACONS:

Do you accept the office of deacon, and do you promise to care for the poor and needy and be servants of the church in a supportive role to the pastor in the fear of God? If so, then please answer,

“With the help of God, I do.”



CHARGE TO THE CHURCH:

I charge you who are members of this church to pray regularly for your deacons, and to encourage them in every possible way so that they may discharge their responsibilities faithfully and compassionately.

I further charge you to follow their example as they follow the Lord Jesus Christ, and lovingly hold them accountable to their commitment.



QUESTIONS FOR THE CHURCH:

Do you acknowledge these men as deacons raised up by God to serve this congregation? If so, then please answer,

“With the help of God, I do.”





QUESTIONS FOR THE CHURCH:

Do you promise to pray regularly for these deacons, and be encouragers to them as they seek to discharge their responsibilities? If so, then please answer,

“With the help of God, I do.”



QUESTIONS FOR THE CHURCH:

Do you promise to follow them as they follow the Lord Jesus Christ, and lovingly hold them accountable as fellow-believers? If so, then please answer,

“With the help of God, I do.”

