

The Word Became Flesh  
Being God's Grace Where You Are  
The Qualities of Effective Serving

John 1:14 The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the One and Only, Who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Matthew 20:20-28

Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her sons and, kneeling down, asked a favor of Him.

21 "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."

22 "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. 23 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." 24 When the ten heard about this, they were indignant with the two brothers.

25 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. 26 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 27 and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— 28 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."

Jesus Frames the Lesson

1. He shows the human view of greatness
2. He reverses our natural intuition
3. He offends our ego

The Qualities of Effective Serving

1. Serving is Intentional
2. Serving is Personal
3. Serving is Purposeful