

**Serve - Let's Go**  
**Mark 10:32-45**  
**10-17-21**

**What can we learn from the greatest servant of all?**

**I. Serve and Consider the Cost.**

*John 10:18 – “No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”*

*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.”*

**II. Serve and Consider the Challenge.**

*Luke 22:42 – “...Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done.”*

*Philippians 2:8 – “And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”*

**III. Serve and Consider the Lord Jesus Christ.**

**1. Serve because Jesus served us.**

*John 13:14 – “If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.”*

**2. Serve because we have the mind of Christ.**

*Philippians 2:3-5 – “Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus.”*

**3. Serve because Jesus made us free.**

*Romans 7:6 – “...we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code.”*

**4. Serve to get more.**

*Matthew 25:21 – “His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’”*

## Going Deeper This Week

1. How would you answer someone who asked you, “Why did Jesus have to die?” Can you give several reasons?
2. What have you done for the sake of Jesus that was misunderstood by the people around you?
3. How is it comforting to know that God has a plan for your life? Does the plan guarantee freedom from suffering? What is the comfort and encouragement in this?
4. How does servanthood go against human nature?
5. How are a “servant” and a “slave” the same? How are they different? Which best describes various aspects of the Christian life?
6. How would you explain “substitutionary atonement” to someone? (Mark 10:45)
7. There is to be a clear-cut difference between how Christ-centered servant leaders and self-serving leaders approach influencing others. How will this difference be evident in your leadership this week?