Contribute to God's Kingdom BETTER LIFE #4 – Pastor Jonathan Minter – September 10, 2017 – Matthew 20:25-28

Matthew 20:25-28 (ESV) ²⁵ But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ²⁶ It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, ²⁸ even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

How to be influential in God's Kingdom through Christlike service:

1. Decide to be a _____

Matthew 19:30 (NLT) But many who are the greatest now will be least important then, and those who seem least important now will be the greatest then.

Matthew 23:12 (NLT) But those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Luke 6:20-21 (ESV) ...Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

• Be a _____, not a _____

• Seek _____, not _____

• Seek _____, not _____

2. Imitate ______.

1 Peter 2:21 (ESV) For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps.

Matthew 16:24-25 (ESV) Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

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