

Deacon's Beacons

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“But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”
Mark 10:43–45

What does it mean to serve? How can we, for whom such a notion is foreign at best if not repugnant, embrace our call to be servants? First and foremost, serving means that you place all others before yourself. Yes, it is okay to take care of yourself. But with everything that you do, you must be considering how it affects others and what impact you might have through the choices that you make. If it hard to put everyone else ahead of yourself. You bet it is. Otherwise everyone would be doing it. But we do not need to be doing what everyone else is doing. We need to be doing what Jesus told us to do, what He Himself did. Look at the Cross. Servant ministry has costs. You have to embrace a sense of humility. But if Jesus could humble Himself to accept the Cross, can you not humble yourself for the good of the other? That is how you live a truly Christian life, not by judging or condemning or imposing rules and restrictions but by serving, in love, those whom God has placed in your path.

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