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Four Keys To Greatness:

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- ❶ Start by calling **sin, sin**
- ❷ Choose **last, first**
- ❸ Commit to out-serving our **family, friends** and **others**
- ❹ Don't try to be the **greatest** you can be,
try to be the best **Jesus** you can be

Four Reasons Why:

Luke 22:23-30

- ❶ To show our **obedience**
- ❷ To be like **Christ**
- ❸ To have a greater **impact**
- ❹ To get a better **reward**

TAKING IT HOME

One of the big “take homes” from this weekend’s teaching was to out-serve those we most regularly come in contact with, starting in your family/home. What are a couple of ways you’re serving at home? Are there two or three things you can add to your service at home? If so, explain.

Looking back at this week’s teaching and study, is there one other thing that’s important for you to remember?

Prayer Requests:

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Growth Group Homework

For the week of November 13, 2011

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

MY STORY

1. How would you have defined greatness when you were a kid? Have you seen your view of greatness change over the years? If so, explain.

2. Humility is often defined as "passive" and "powerless." Yet in reality, humility could be considered the power behind service. Can you think of any examples of power and humility co-existing?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. This weekend, we saw that to be great is not to be the best we can be, but to try to be the best Jesus we can be. The only place in the Bible where Jesus describes his character qualities is in Matthew 11:29, where he states that he is "gentle and humble." Interestingly enough, humility is the character quality that frees us up and empowers us for authentic and unconditional service. How do the following passages expand and explain our understanding of what humility is and isn't?

Proverbs 22:4

Luke 14:7-11

I Peter 5:5-6

2. After a message like we heard this weekend, most of us are charged up and ready to serve and put others first. Yet, it's also frustrating when we suddenly find the passion and action of serving fading away. How does Deuteronomy 8:10-18 help keep us "others-focused"?

3. Opportunities to serve and impact others in small but significant ways occur randomly around all of us every day. It's been said that our impact on others is usually not one single act, but many acts of service piled together. As you read the story of the Good Samaritan and his random opportunity to serve in Luke 10:30-36, make a list of all the ways he served the man who was robbed.

In the list you wrote above, what comes easiest to you? Which one is the most challenging?

What role did humility and thankfulness play in his actions?