

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

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Now More Than Ever – Servant Leadership is our Design

INTRODUCTION

- This week we were reminded of the importance of taking deep meaningful breaths during this time. Let's begin by taking in a deep breath: Inhale, "Thy Will," Exhale, "Be Done." Meditate upon Psalm 150:6a "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!"
- What is one thing that you experienced this week for which you can praise the Lord?

Let's begin in prayer. Thank the Lord for your breath—for his grace and love and mercy. Ask the Lord to open your heart to what HE wants you to focus on as we discuss Servant Leadership. Offer your life to him. Here is a verse to pray back to our Heavenly Father as we tune in with our hearts and minds.

1 Peter 4:8–10

Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: (ESV)

INTO THE BIBLE

- As we begin our discussion on Servant Leadership, what are you most looking forward to discussing or learning?
- If there is something that causes you to hesitate discussing Servant Leadership express what that hesitation is.

Read Matthew 20:20–28

- Compare and contrast what you observe regarding Leadership in the world and Servant Leadership as Jesus describes.



Read Matthew 20:28 again.

- When you think about Jesus' life on earth, what are some examples of the ways Jesus served others?

Read John 13:1–20

- What are some of the truths and messages that were revealed and passed on through this act of washing feet?
- What might be some of the reasons why Jesus calls us to serve as we lead?
- What are some examples of Servant Leadership that you have observed?

APPLICATION

- We have spent four weeks taking a look at our Core Values: Jesus is our King; People are our Passion; Community is our Design; and this week, Servant Leadership is our Offering. What are some things that the Lord has impressed upon your heart through this sermon series?
- What is most challenging for you when thinking about being a servant leader?
- In what area of your life is it most difficult for you to serve like Jesus?
- Where has the Lord impressed upon your heart to serve others?
- What is one step you can take toward Servant Leadership?

God calls us to breathe in his Kingdom, his Love, his Grace...and then breathe out his Kingdom, his Love, and his Grace. As we exhale his kingdom, love, and grace may we serve others as Jesus has served us. May we be a towel and a basin to those around us.

Complete this sentence: Now More Than Ever I _____.