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The Test of Greatness

Things to Ponder This Week

Luke 9:46-50

How does Jesus define greatness?

Test 1: H_____ relating to people in Jesus' name.

Test 2: Relating to God the Father through f_____ in Jesus.

Test 3: Relating to people as o_____ servants of Jesus.

CHALLENGE: Let us remember that we b_____ to God in Christ, and be His humble and obedient servant representatives in this world. (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)

According to Luke 9:46, what were Jesus' disciples arguing about? Given Jesus' instructions to His disciples in verse 44 just before their argument, and the commentary given by Luke in verse 45, what do you think was going through the minds of Jesus' disciples? When you are with someone truly great, how does that make you feel?

Based on Luke 9:47-48, what was Jesus' response to His disciples' argument? How effective do you think Jesus' message to His disciples was by having the child stand by His side? If you saw a sick person next Jesus, would you see that person, and how would you treat them? What about a drug addict or a homeless person? What does it mean to receive people in Jesus' name?

Based on Luke 9:49-50, what was Jesus' response to John's protest regarding someone casting out demons in Jesus' name? How should we view the ministry of other Christians, local Christian churches, and missions organizations?

Next Sunday, we will look at "The Cost of Following Jesus." Prayerfully read Luke 9:51-62, and consider the possible challenges to following Christ.