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LESSON 14 MARK 9:30-50 – PART 2

Please use the New Living Translation (NLT) for clarity.

Have you ever wanted to be the greatest at something? What does it mean to be great at something? Possibly at a sport or with your school work. Have you ever thought what it means to be the greatest? In today's lesson we are going to learn about true greatness according to God.

MEMORY VERSE

And He sat down and called the twelve and said to them, "If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all." **MARK 9:35**

JESUS WANTS TIME ALONE WITH HIS DISCIPLES

Read Mark 9:30-32; then answer the questions below.

1. Jesus and His disciples left the region where He had just delivered the demon possessed boy and began to travel through Galilee. Why did Jesus want to be alone with the disciples?
_____.
2. What important teaching did Jesus want the disciples to understand? That the _____ of _____ is going to be _____ into the _____ of His _____. He would be _____ but _____ days later He will _____ from the _____.
3. Circle **True** or **False** below.
Did the Disciples understand? **True** or **False**
The Disciples were afraid to ask Jesus what He meant. **True** or **False**

JESUS TEACHES TRUE GREATNESS

READ MARK 9:33-37; then answer questions below:

4. Jesus and the disciples arrived in Capernaum, possibly staying at Peter's house. On their journey Jesus overheard the disciples talking. Jesus is continuing to teach His disciples important lessons.

What did He ask them? _____. Did they answer Jesus' question? Why not? _____.

5. As Jesus sat down to gently teach the disciples three important truths about His Kingdom, what three important things did He teach them about being great? (v.35)
 - 1)
 - 2)
 - 3)
6. Who did Jesus use as an example as He spoke to the disciples? _____.
7. What did Jesus say about this little child? _____ who _____ a little child like this on My behalf _____ Me, and anyone who _____ Me _____ not only Me but also My Father who sent Me.

Jesus was teaching His disciples that to be great meant to be a servant. He taught them to be childlike and not to expect to be served but to serve people. How good are you at being a servant? How could you try harder to become a servant in your own home with your parents and brother or sister?

To be great in God's Kingdom is to be a servant of all.

READ MARK 9:38-41. Then answer the questions below.

8. John, one of the disciples, asked Jesus a question about a group of people who were using Jesus' name to cast out demons. Circle the answer below that describes why the disciples asked these people to stop.
 - They did not use the right words.
 - They were not in their group.
 - They could not perform miracles.
9. How did Jesus correct their thinking? What did He say? (Fill in the blanks below.)

Don't _____! What did Jesus say about someone who performed miracles in His name? _____. What did Jesus say about someone who is not against us? _____. What happens to a person who gives a cup of water to person who belongs to the Messiah? Jesus says: I tell you the truth _____ will _____ surely be _____.

JESUS GIVES A WARNING REGARDING SIN

READ MARK 9:42-50; then answer the questions below.

10. What warning did Jesus give to His disciples? _____. How serious was this warning? _____.

Note: A millstone is a big heavy stone used for grinding grain. It is a very heavy stone. If it was wrapped around you would sink to the bottom of the Ocean.

11. Jesus is very serious about sin. What does Jesus tell us to do if our:

- Hand causes us to sin? _____ How can our hands sin? _____
- Feet cause us to sin? _____ How can our feet sin? _____
- Eyes cause us to sin? _____ How can our eyes cause us to sin? _____
- How does Jesus say it is better to enter eternal life? _____
- How does Jesus describe hell? _____

Jesus is very serious about sin in our lives. Sin in our lives does NO good. Jesus is not saying we should cut off our hands, feet or gouge out our eyes. He is telling us when we sin we must take drastic measures to stop it. Cut it out of our lives immediately. We are not to continue in sin. When you sin in any of these ways, how quickly do you turn to Jesus and ask Him to forgive you?

Jesus is faithful and just to forgive us of all sin and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

12. What do Jesus' final words in this chapter tell us we will be tested with? _____

13. Jesus tells us a little bit about salt. Salt is good on our food and makes things taste better. In Jesus' day, salt purified the food to stay fresh. It was a good thing to have salt around. What did Jesus say about the qualities of salt in our lives? _____. How are we to live with each other? _____

To be great in God's Kingdom means to live a humble life. To walk with Jesus. To not think we are better than anyone else and not to try to be the greatest. We are to keep ourselves from sinning and when we do sin to confess our sins. Remember, Jesus is faithful to forgive us.

Note: The following activity pages reflect the same lesson found in Mark 9.

Who is the GREATEST?

Matthew 18:1-6



"Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 18:4

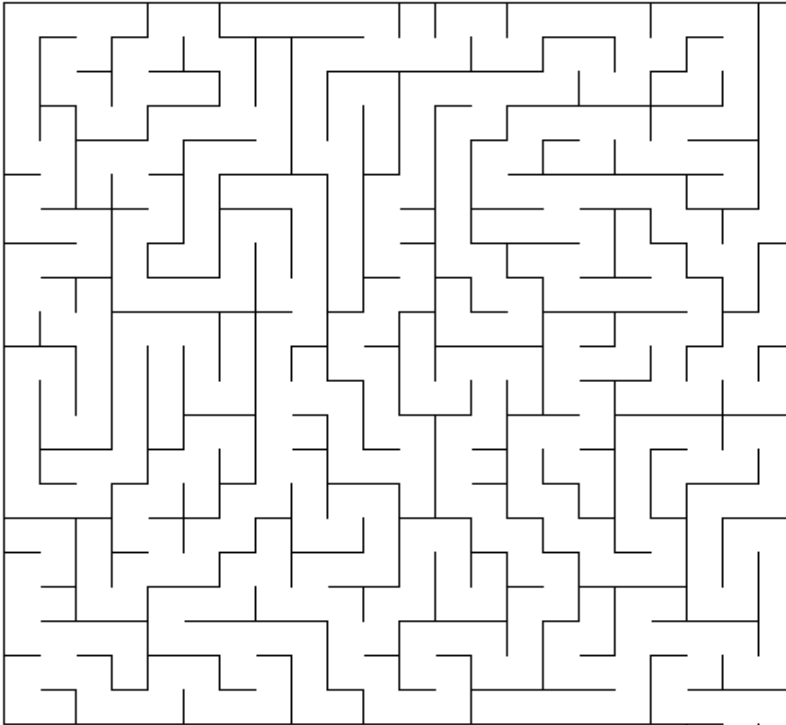
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KEY WORDS FROM BIBLE STUDY

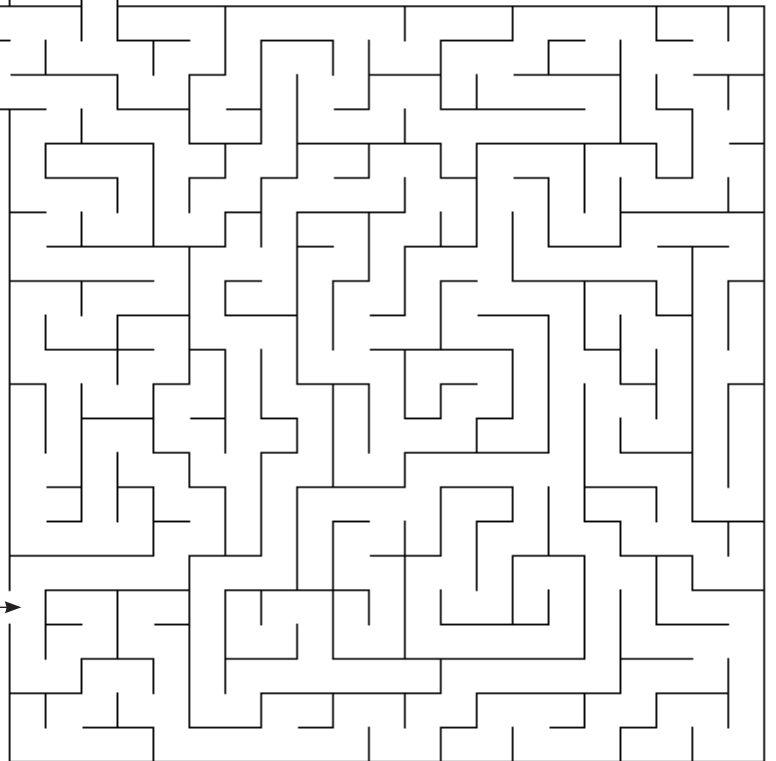
Disciples	Kingdom
Jesus	Humbles
Greatest	Receives
Heaven	Little Ones
Little Child	Millstone
Converted	Depth of the Sea

FIND THE **MEMORY VERSE** (BELOW) & THE **KEY WORDS** (ABOVE) AMONG BOTH THE **WORD SEARCHES**



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MEMORY VERSE

"Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." *Matthew 18:4*