

Leadership Small Group Guide

Warm-up Question: (Choose one, make up your own, or skip this part all together, depending upon the nature of your group.)

1. Is there any individual you would trust to order food for you at a restaurant?
2. If you had to be stuck in an airport for 24 hours with someone who is not in your family, who would you choose?

Read the following passage: Mark 10:35-45.

Questions for Discussion (Choose several that are relevant for your group):

1. Why does Jesus ask James and John, "Can you drink the cup I drink?" What does this have to do with their leadership roles in God's kingdom?
2. Jesus said that He came to serve and that the greatest in God's kingdom are those who serve. Describe how "servant leadership" was embodied in Jesus' life. What might servant leadership look like in our lives?
3. Does being a servant leader mean that we should do anything anyone asks of us? How do we decide what we should do and not do?
4. Explain why it is important for leaders to have a strong sense of mission. What happens when this element is lacking?
5. Leaders have to navigate their way through obstacles. What are some unhealthy ways of handling challenges? How should leaders navigate the challenges they face?
6. What areas of your life currently require you to display leadership? To what degree is your leadership in these areas characterized by the following qualities: a) A strong sense of mission; b) Ownership/Responsibility; c) Leading for the benefit of others; d) An ability to overcome obstacles; e) Inspiring others?
7. Are there any leadership roles in the church you feel that you should or could operate in?
8. What is one way you would like to grow as a leader?

Pray