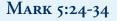
The Leader Leads by Serving

MARK 1:40-44

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What did you notice about Jesus in these passages?

What did you notice about the people who approach him?

What are the characteristics of a servant?



Characteristics of a Servant : Mark 1

THE ABILITY TO SEE	QUESTIONS FOR SELF-REFLECTION		
Beyond our own needs	Where are you likely to see people who are struggling? Where are you likely to miss them?		
Beyond others' obvious needs			
Beyond the "presenting problem"	What strategies do you have for getting beyond the superficial, "How are you?"		
Beyond what is to what will be needed			
THE DESIRE TO ACT	• When or with whom are you most impatient?		
• A heart of			
• A reflex to be	Is servanthood a matter of the heart, gut or head for you? What		
• A choice to make it	perhaps is your weakness in this area?		
THE RESOURCES TO GIVE			
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• Time, availability	What is your operating self-perception regarding the wealth of your resources?		
• Money, things			
 Skills, education, training 			
• Healing, God's power	How available are your resources to be employed in servanthood to others? Which are more available? Which could be made more		
Insight, wisdom	to others? Which are more available? Which could be made more available?		
• Love, care, compassion			

WITH	BUT WITHOUT	" YOU MIGHT SAY THINK DO"
Willingness & Ability	Sensitivity	
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What did you notice about Jesus in these passages?

- moved with pity
- sees the real issues
- has time to go beyond mere physical healing
 -touch: emotional healing
 -stern change: spiritual cleansing
 - and social reintroduction

What did you notice about the people who approach him?

- humble, needy, desperate
- 🖸 faith
- affrimed by Jesus

What are the characteristics of a servant?

- compassion
- sensitivity
- willingness
- interruptibility
- ability, power
- insight
- willingness to be tough



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SENSITIVITY	THE ABILITY TO SEE	QUESTIONS FOR SELF-REFLECTION	
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WILLINGNESS	THE DESIRE TO ACT	• When or with whom are you most impatient?	
• A heart of compassion (heart) - or -			
• A reflex to be generous (gut) - or -		Is servanthood a matter of the heart, gut or head for you? What	
• A choice to make	it a priority (head)	perhaps is your weakness in this area?	
ABILITY	THE RESOURCES TO GIVE		
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WITH	BUT WITHOUT	" YOU MIGHT SAY THINK DO"
Willingness & Ability	Sensitivity	 SAY: "I'm willing to serve just ask me anytime!" THINK: Just what people ask, and no more. Finish tasks without seeing other opportunities to serve.
Sensitivity & Ability	Willingness	 "I'd love to do it but right now is not a good time" SAY: "My circumstances will change soon and I will be able to be more THINK: involved." DO: Justify your choices, prioritize your own schedule, always postpone servanthood.
Sensitivity & Willingness	Ability	 SAY: "I wish I could do more than I am able." THINK: "How can I bring more resources to this need than I have at pres- DO: ent?" sincerely look for others to join you or to help meet the need.

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