

PREACHING CURRICULUM

20/20 Vision: A Right View of God and of Self

Luke 17:7-10

'...embrace humility – our identity as servants (slaves) – for His glory...'

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

Re-read Luke 17:7-10

How is service different from duty or indebted servitude?

What is the level of obedience expected from a slave (as this passage could and perhaps should be translated)?

If the truth is that everyone is enslaved to some master, how does the realization that Jesus is the only Master who loves you unconditionally affect you?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

Do you struggle with a small view of God? How does your view of God affect and direct your view of self?

How do you understand obedience to God as your duty?

Are there times when you don't want to do your duty, or feel that you should receive thanks for completing your duty? What causes this incorrect view?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

How do we balance obedience in our actions and purity in our feelings by embracing our position as slaves in order to grow in humility?

How can the truth that you have never given anything to God that wasn't His already teach us humility?

Can you begin to wrap your mind around the paradox that redemption from slavery to sin, into slavery to God, is ultimate freedom?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

Will you commit this week, and this year, to a 20/20 view of God as loving Master, so that we can decrease and He can increase?

