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Part Five: Godly Greatness

Introduction

The Passover took place on one night and at one meal, but the Festival of Unleavened Bread, which was celebrated with it, continued a for week. The disciples did as Jesus told them and prepared the Passover supper (Matthew 26:17-19). The most important event in human history was about to take place and the disciples began arguing about their prestige in the Kingdom. The disciples were wrapped up in their own concerns and did not perceive what Jesus had been trying to tell them about His approaching death and resurrection (Luke 22:13-30).

Discussion Questions

1. Setting the stage for the message this week David Smith asked whether you wanted to be great or not. Which did you choose and why?
2. Sanctification, deliverance, redemption and restoration were four areas mentioned in relation to the Passover. Is there one particular area you have experienced God's hand intervening in your life and family?
3. There were two kinds of greatness expressed in the sermon: worldly greatness is "all about you," godly greatness is "all about the people around us." Provide specific suggestions that would be helpful in guiding someone in experiencing godly greatness. How can your suggestions become a "rhythm" in life? (Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10)
4. In John 13:1-17, Jesus, as a demonstration of humility, washes his disciple's feet. Do you know people who would consider menial tasks beneath them, 1) at home, 2) at work, 3) at church, etc.? Why? It's evident that Jesus was not into titles, but into towels! How can the church become more focused on towels rather than titles?
5. Review the five statements related to godly greatness. Which one do you find difficult to do and which one do you find easier to do? Why?
6. How are you expressing and defining (godly greatness=humility) in your life? David said humility is a hard word to define. What ways do you feel you can define humility without using a definition of words?

Conclusion

"I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you...you will be blessed if you do them." John 13:15, 17b