

### Servanthood: Descending to Greatness

Series - Red: Discovering the Teaching of Jesus

- Luke 17:7-10 -

Purpose of the Parables: Matthew 13:11-17

Servant or Volunteer — Is there a Difference?

1. Serving \_\_\_\_\_

2. Serving \_\_\_\_\_

3. Serving \_\_\_\_\_

#### Application Questions. . .

1. What especially spoke to you in this message?
2. Spend a moment in Matthew 13 discussing the purpose of the parables. How does Jesus' challenge in vs. 9 help explain vss. 11-12? How does the quotation from Isaiah (vss. 14-15) explain the difficulty in understanding (vs. 13)?
3. Re-read Luke 17:7-10. What additional questions does this passage raise?
4. In what way is this passage not just about what a servant of Christ should do? In what ways does this teaching from Christ challenge you?
5. Discuss the following quote in light of our passage: *"Rank does not confer privilege or give power. It imposes responsibility."* Do you agree or disagree?
6. Why is humility so necessary for a church (or family) to be strong and healthy?
7. Discuss John 15:15 in the light of Christ followers being His servants. How does this speak to our motivation?

