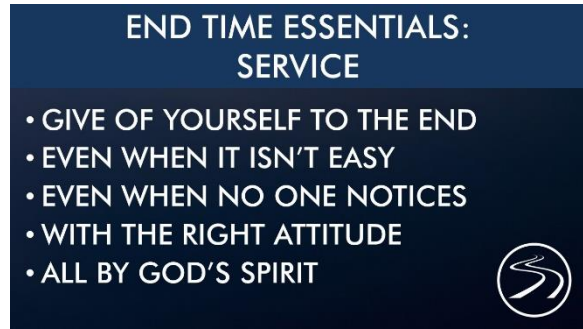


End Time Essentials: Service September 20, 2020 Discussion Notes

Everyone is encouraged to bring a Bible

(Phone apps are good for reading together in the same translation. Study Bibles give help with interpretation.)



Questions:

1. What is your idea of great customer service?
2. In what way does our society instill in us the desire to be served?
3. What do you remember about the sermon (review the main points above and also think about the way Joseph conducted himself in Egypt)? Did anything impact or challenge you? Do you have any questions?
4. Read Matthew 20:20-28
 - a) What are the pluses and minuses of ambition?
 - b) What favor did James and John's mother ask Jesus? (20:21)
 - c) How did Jesus respond to the request that James and John get special treatment? (20:22)
 - d) According to Jesus, who will decide the positions of honor and authority in the kingdom of God? (20:23)
 - e) How did Jesus define leadership? (20:26-27)
 - f) What did Jesus say was His mission in life? (20:28)
 - g) When does honorable ambition become dishonorable?
 - h) Of the people you know, who do you think will receive the greatest rewards in heaven? Why?
5. Read John 13:1-15
 - a) What did Jesus know it was time to do? (13:1)
 - b) What did Jesus know that the Father had done? (13:3)
 - c) Why do you think Peter was so shocked at what Jesus was doing?
 - d) What did Jesus tell His disciples they should do? (13:12-15)
 - e) When and why do you find it difficult to allow others to serve you?
 - f) When and why is it difficult for you to serve others?
 - g) Because of dusty roads and sandals, foot washing was a practical need during this time. What are some practical needs today that require humility in serving others?
6. Think of three ways you can serve others in a practical way this next week. Write them down and make a plan. Do you think you could make this a habit?
7. Spend some time praying that God would help you serve as Jesus served. And pray for any specific needs in your group.