The Gospel According to Mark Jesus. Servant. Master.

Lesson 41

Read Mark 10:32 - 45

Introduction: The disciples were in another squabble over who was the greatest. Jesus pointed out that this was Gentile thinking. It was part of the power-hungry way of the world, those who rule end up lording it over the others. The power goes to their heads. And this is the problem with one trying to reign over another. It is extremely difficult to handle power. Very few people are capable of handling leadership over others without abusing it. The world is a testimony of the old adage, "Power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely." That is why Jesus doesn't do it this way. He turned the power structure upside down. Real authority comes from service. And He didn't just teach it; He demonstrated it.

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1. According to Mark 10:32 Jesus and His disciples were on the road heading towards Jerusalem and the disciples were amazed and afraid. Why do you think they were *amazed* and *afraid* that He was leading the way to Jerusalem?

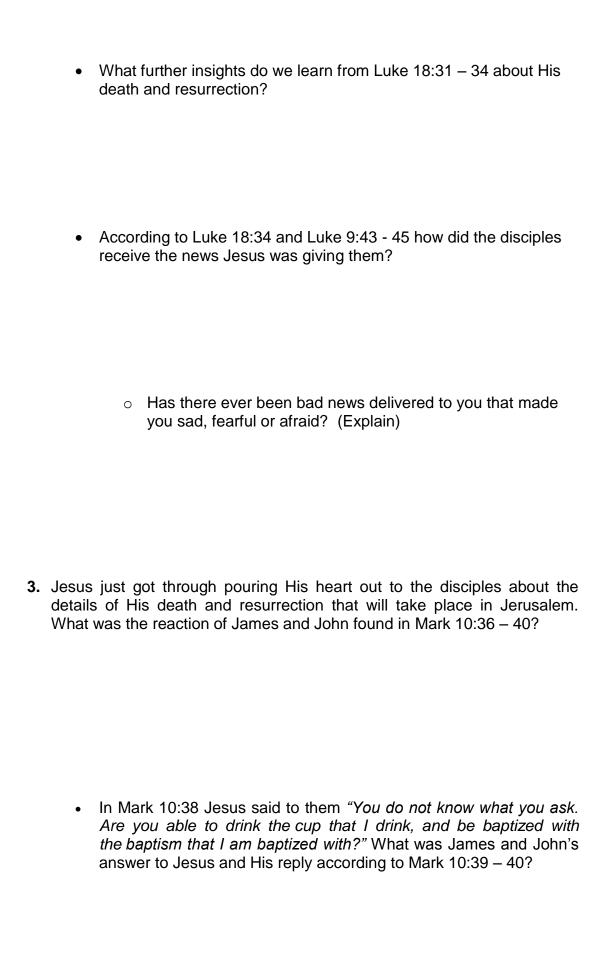
2.	This is the third time Jesus explained what was going to happen to Him in
	Jerusalem. Jesus lovingly took them aside. What four things did Jesus
	make clear to the twelve according to Mark 10:32 – 34?

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	 According to Acts 12:1 – 2 and Revelation 1:9 what happened to James and John?
4.	James and John wanted the highest position in Jesus' Kingdom. This really got the other ten disciples upset. But Jesus "called them to Himself" and told them that true greatness comes from serving others. What did Jesus say to His disciples about true greatness in Mark 10:42 – 45?
5.	Write out Mark 10:45
	 How did Jesus demonstrate being a servant according to Philippians 2:5 – 8 and John 13:3 – 17?
6.	A <i>ransom</i> was the price paid to release a slave. Jesus paid a ransom for us because we could not pay it ourselves. What understanding do we come to in Romans 6:5 – 14, 17 – 18?