



LIFE GROUP NOTES – WEEK FIVE

Our purpose is to being people to Jesus and **membership** in his family, develop them to Christ like **maturity**; equip them for **ministry** in his Church and **mission** in the world in order to **magnify** his name.

- Read **Ephesians 2:10** (in a few different translations if it is possible) do you ever think about yourself in this way? Why/Why not?
- Read **Romans 12:1-2** what might Paul mean by the term 'living sacrifice'?
- Read **Philippians 2:6-7** what does it mean to take on the nature of a servant? Why do you think this was Jesus approach to ministry?

Look again at the healing of blind Bartimaeus in **Mark 10:46-52**

- Why do you think Mark tells us that 'many rebuked him and told him to be quiet'?
- What does verse 49 and 51 tell us about Jesus attitude? Practically speaking how might we adopt this attitude?
- John Wesley said ["Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the places you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can"](#) In what areas of your life might you find this statement most challenging?

Look again at Jesus washing the disciple's feet in **John 13:1-5**

- How did Jesus knowledge of himself, his past and his future (v3) inform his actions in verse 4 & 5?
- Read **Luke 22:24** what does this tell us about the disciple's attitude? How does this inform their actions?
- Henri Nouwen said ["In order to be of service to others have to die to them; that is, we have to give up measuring our meaning and value with the yardstick of others... thus we become free to become compassionate"](#) Why is this sometimes a hard thing for us to do?

Look again at the parable of the bags of gold in **Matthew 25:14-29**

- Why do you think the master gave the servant's different amounts of gold?
- What can we learn from the master's response to the first two servants?
- Read Paul's words in **1 Corinthians 15:58** in what ways do we become distracted from the Lords work?