

Attitude of a Servant of God

Intro: Being a servant is not a very popular idea. What's at the core of being a true servant of God? What makes a servant... a servant?

- I. YOU ARE NOT YOUR OWN, YOU'VE BEEN BOUGHT
 - A. 1 Corinthians 6:20.
 - B. You don't get to be your own master. In fact where God's concerned, you're the last one who gets to rule over you.

- II. YOU CAN'T SERVE TWO MASTERS
 - A. Those were Jesus' words about materialism. (Matt. 6:24)
 - B. Everything around us (society) says "serve yourself"—it's all about what you want.
 - C. Listen to Jesus' statement again. (Matt. 6:24) "You cannot serve God and mammon (riches; money)." From what Jesus says, we're all messed up in our thinking about our possessions—we think those things serve us.
 - D. You've got to know who you serve. (Col. 3:24)
 - E. "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."(Matt. 6:21)

- III. HUMILITY: THE ESSENCE OF A TRUE SERVANT OF GOD
 - A. Jesus: "The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve." (Mark 10:35-45)
 - B. "I have come to do your will, O God." (Heb. 10:)
 - C. Jesus' attitude was: "not my will, but yours be done." (Matt. 26)
 - D. A true servant's attitude drives him away from his own will (personal desire) when it could easily benefit self.
 - E. 1 Peter 5:5, 6; Jas. 4:10.
 - F. Pride will always keep us from serving God.
 - G. Being big means being small. (Matthew 18:1-6)

Conclusion: Be a servant of God with an attitude of humility like Jesus, who willingly served all mankind, regardless of how great he was; no, wait... because of how great he was. (Phil. 2:5-11)