Mark

The **Gospel** of the **Servant of God**

I. The ***Service*** of the **Servant** (1:1-10:52)

G. **His Preeminence** in **Galilee** (6:1-9:50)

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13. The ***Private*** **Final Teachings** in **Galilee** (9:30-50)

a. A ***Declaration*** regarding **His Death** and **Resurrection** (9:30-32)

30 From **there** they went out and *began* to go through **Galilee**,
and **He** did **not want anyone** to **know** *about it*.

31 For **He** was **teaching** **His disciples** and telling them,
"The **Son of Man** is to be **delivered** into the **hands of men**,

and they will **kill Him**; and when **He** has been **killed**,
He will **rise** **three days later**."

32 But they did **not understand** *this* statement,
and they were **afraid** to **ask Him**.

b. A ***Discussion*** concerning **Greatness** in the **Kingdom** (9:33-37)

33 They came to **Capernaum;** and when **He** was in the house,
He *began* to **question them**, "***What*** were you **discussing** on the way?"

[34] But they kept **silent**, for on the way they had **discussed** with **one another**
which *of them was* the **greatest**.

[35] Sitting down, **He** called the **twelve** and said to them,
"If anyone wants to **be first**, he shall **be last** of **all** and **servant of all."**

[36] Taking a **child**, **He set him** before them,
and taking **him** in **His arms**, **He said** to them,

[37] "**Whoever receives one child** like this in **My name** receives **Me;**
and whoever **receives Me** does ***not*** receive **Me,** but **Him** who **sent Me**."

c. A ***Directive*** concerning **Others Ministering** in **His Name** (9:38-41)

[38] **John** said to **Him,**
"**Teacher**, we saw someone casting out demons **in Your name**,
and we tried to **prevent him** because he was **not following us**."

[39] But **Jesus said**, "Do **not hinder him**, for there is **no one** who will perform
a **miracle** in **My name**, and be able soon afterward to **speak evil** of **Me.**

[40] For he who is **not against us** is **for us**.

[41] For whoever gives **you** a **cup of water** to drink because of **your name**
as ***followers*** **of Messiah**, truly I say to you, he will **not lose** his **reward**.

A ***Summary*** of **Messiah's Teaching** (9:30-41)

1. **Jesus *taught***, as **He** did previously (8:31), that **He** would soon **suffer** and be **killed**, but that **He** would **rise *three* days later** (9:31).

2. In a **discussion** with **His disciples** about who would receive a **"greater" position** in the **Kingdom**:

   a. **Jesus *taught*** that if anyone "wants to be **first**, he shall be **last** of **all** and **servant** of **all** (9:35)." (also: Matthew 20:26, 23:11, Mark 10:43-44, Luke 22:26)

   b. **Jesus**, after taking a **child** and setting him before **his disciples**, ***taught*** that unless you are **converted** and "become **like children**, you will **not enter** the **kingdom** of **heaven** (Matthew 18:3)."(also: 19:14, Mark 10:15, Luke 18:17)

   Jesus then declared that, "Whoever then **humbles himself** as this **child**, he is the **greatest** in the **kingdom of heaven** (Matthew 18:4)."

   c. **Jesus *taught*** that "the **one** who is the **greatest** among you must *become* **like**

the **youngest**, and the **leader** like the **servant** (Luke 22:26, 9:48)."

d. **Jesus *taught*** that whoever "**receives one child** like this in **My name receives Me**; and whoever **receives Me** does **not receive Me**, but **Him** who **sent Me** (9:37)."

3. **Jesus *taught,*** in response to **John**, that **those** who were **not** among them, but were **doing good works** in **His name**, should **not** be **prevented** from doing so. For "he who is **not *against* us** is ***for* us** (9:40)."

Personal Application
"***Serving* One Another**"

"But the ***greatest*** among you shall be **your servant**." (Matthew 23:11)

For you were called to **freedom, brethren**;
only *do* **not** *turn* your **freedom** into an **opportunity** for **the flesh**,
but through **love serve one another**.

For the **whole Law** is ***fulfilled*** in **one word**, in the *statement*,
"YOU SHALL **LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR** AS **YOURSELF**."(Galatians 5:13-14)

Do ***nothing*** from **selfishness** or **empty conceit**,
but with **humility of mind** regard **one another** as ***more* important** than **yourselves**;

do **not** *merely* look out for your **own personal interests**,
but **also** for the **interests of others**. (Philippians 2:3-4)

Be **devoted** to **one another** in **brotherly love**;
give **preference** to **one another** in **honor;**
not lagging behind in **diligence**, *fervent* in **spirit**, **serving the Lord**; (Romans 12:10-11)

Whatever **you do, do** your **work *heartily***, as for **the Lord** rather than **for men**,
knowing that from **the Lord** you will receive the **reward** of the **inheritance**.
It is the **Lord Messiah** whom **you serve**. (Colossians 3:23-24)

With **good will** render **service**, as to **the Lord**, and not **to men**,
knowing that whatever **good thing** each one does,
this he will **receive back** from **the Lord**,..(Ephesians 6:7-8)

For even the **Son of Man** did not come to **be served**,
but **to serve**, and to **give His life** a ***ransom*** for **many**."(Mark 10:45)