GROUP DISCUSSION

Questions for facilitating dynamic discussion

Mother's Day – Unsung Heroes Matthew 20:20-28 May 14, 2023 (Jeff Griffin, Senior Pastor)

Moms are "Unsung Heroes." Moms selflessly devote themselves to their children. By embracing their calling to serve, they become great in God's eyes. We all must learn to abandon the "Me First Mindset" and live to serve God and others.

Kicking It Off: Share of a way that your mom blessed your life.

Discussion:

1. Reread Matthew 20:25-26 (NLT) Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers in this world lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them. But among you it is to be different!"

Why do most people desire to be promoted to higher levels of authority at work?

2. Reread Matthew 20:26 (NIV) "Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant."

Considering this verse, do you know someone who is great in the Kingdom of God? Describe them to the group.

3. Reread Matthew 20:28 (NIV) "Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

In what way was the life and death of Christ scandalous?

- 4. Why does a life devoted to self-gratification end in emptiness?
- 5. How is it that a life devoted to serving others can fulfill the soul?
- 6. Can you think of a specific area of your life where you could be more selfless and devoted to serving?

Wrapping It Up: Paul challenged us all in Philippians 2:3-4 with these words: "Value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others." Spend time in prayer and ask the Lord to give you the strength to live out this challenge.