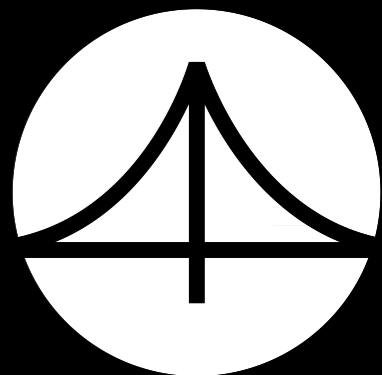


# Luke: The Greatness Game

Luke 9:37-50



**True greatness serves and empowers others through joyful humility.**

- 1. The Quest for Greatness**
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# The Quest for Greatness

- We seek to prove our greatness by comparing ourselves with others, like the disciples

**“According to Christian teachers, the essential vice, the utmost evil, is Pride. Unchastity, anger, greed, drunkenness, and all that, are mere flea bites in comparison: it was through Pride that the devil became the devil. Pride leads to every other vice: it is the complete anti-God state of mind.”**

*– CS Lewis*

# The Quest for Greatness

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- Pride: Having an excessive view of your own importance that leads you to look down on others

**“Pride gets no pleasure out of having something, only out of having more of it than the next person.**

**We say that people are proud of being rich, or clever, or good-looking, but they are not. They are proud of being richer, or cleverer, or better-looking than others. If everyone else became equally rich, or clever, or good-looking there would be nothing to be proud about.”**

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# The Quest for Greatness

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# The Steps to Greatness

- True greatness comes from loving and serving those who have nothing to offer us
- Jesus breaks the greatness game by eliminating the competition
- Jesus' goal is heart transformation, not just behavior change
- Being on Jesus' side is the only way to be free from the world's greatness game



# The Key to Greatness

- Jesus lets Himself be arrested and killed so we can be set free from the world's greatness game
- Faith in Jesus means we are already great in God's eyes