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Be A Great Teammate

“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” – *Mark 10:45*

We have all been called to be great teammates. Jon Gordon in his book *The Hard Hat*, defines being a great teammate as someone “willing to give some of yourself for the greater good of the team.” In other words you need to be willing to sacrifice your wants for the needs of the others – the team.

We can either be consumers or instruments for God. Being a great teammate means accepting God’s call to represent him in everything we do – both on and off the field. Simply put it means being an ambassador for God. In so doing, we allow his invisible presence and grace to become visible.

We live in a world where everyone desires to be great. However, Jesus showed us that the only way to become great is through service and sacrifice. It means sometimes you will be asked to swing away and other times asked to sacrifice bunt. It means that on one time you may be the starting shortstop and on another the second baseman.

The truth is that if we want to make a long-term impact we need to serve our teammates and be willing to sacrifice our short-term desires. I love how Jon Gordon says it; “sometimes you are the star and sometimes you help the star.”

What an amazing opportunity, we have been called to represent our Savior and be part of the most important work in the universe. We have been chosen to carry the life-changing message of Christ’s grace.

Questions: Are you willing to answer God’s calling to be a great teammate and represent Christ on your team?

Challenge: Take time this week to read 1 Chronicles 16:8-27.

Prayer: Thank you Lord for your mercy and grace. Thank you for giving me the greatest job in the universe. Give me the boldness to tell my teammates about you and your grace.

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