

**Reflection Questions:** In what ways am I failing to be a *servant* and a *slave of all*? Whom will I sacrificially serve this week? How am I currently responding to the fact that Jesus gave His life as a ransom for me? Do I desire to be great in God's kingdom? Why or why not?

How can we pray for one another and our church this week?

### Quotes to Ponder

*Jesus is hungry but feeds others; He grows weary but offers others rest; He is the King Messiah but pays tribute; He is called the devil but casts out demons; He dies the death of a sinner but comes to save His people from their sins; He is sold for thirty pieces of silver but gives His life a ransom for many; He will not turn stones to bread for Himself but gives His own body as bread for people.*

D.A. Carson

*The work of redemption was accomplished by Christ in His death on the cross and has in view the payment of the price demanded by a holy God for the deliverance of the believer from the bondage and burden of sin. In redemption the sinner is set free from his condemnation and slavery to sin.*

John F. Walvoord

*The ideal Man the Man for all men, did not come to be waited on, but to wait tables and to live a life of sacrifice. May this sink into our minds so we can be used of God.*

R. Kent Hughes

*How easy it is to condemn in others what we excuse in ourselves.*

William Hendriksen

*We want to avoid suffering, death, sin, ashes. But we live in a world crushed and broken and torn, a world God Himself visited to redeem. We receive his poured-out life, and being allowed the high privilege of suffering with Him, may then pour ourselves out for others.*

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*Sermon* Notes  
RANSOM  
Mark 10:35-45  
December 3, 2023

1. Request (35-37)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Response (38-40)
  - A. Jesus
  
  
  
  - B. James and John
  
  
  
  - C. Jesus
  
3. Reaction (41)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Restatement (42-44)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Reason (45)

1. What in the text/sermon impacted you? Encouraged you? Convicted you? Challenged you? Confused you? Comforted you?

2. Read the following accounts, noting what you learn from each. Are there any contradictions? If so, how do you resolve them?  
*Matthew 20:20-28* —

*Mark 10:35-45* —

3. What parts of Jesus' teaching in *Mark 10:32-34* prompted James and John to make their request (*Mark 10:37*)?

4. What kind of glory do James and John envision Jesus entering into (*Mark 10:37*)?

5. Why did Jesus say that James and John did not understand what they were asking? What were they missing (*Mark 10:35-38*)?

6. What is Jesus referring to when He mentions *the cup* He must drink and the *baptism* He must undergo?

Why must James and John be willing to endure these same things?

7. Why were the rest of the disciples *indignant* with James and John (*Mark 10:41*)?

8. What lesson should the disciples have already learned (*Mark 9:33-37*)?

9. Explain the difference between being a *servant* and being a *slave* (*Mark 10:42-44*)?

10. What is the relationship between *Mark 10:42-44* and *Mark 10:45*?

11. What does it mean that Jesus gave His life as a ransom (*Mark 10:45*)?

Why is a ransom necessary?

What does His ransom accomplish?

To whom is the ransom paid?

What does this tell us about God and His love for us?

12. What do the following verses teach about the ransom that Jesus paid?  
*Isaiah 53:10* — *1 Timothy 2:3-6* —

*Romans 3:21-26* —

*Titus 2:14* —

*1 Corinthians 1:30* —

*Hebrews 9:11-12* —

*1 Corinthians 6:20* —

*Hebrews 11:28* —

*Ephesians 1:7* —

*1 Peter 1:18-19* —

*Colossians 1:13-14* —