

# Leadership Group Guide /

for the Leadership Podcast  
with Kevin York

## Servant Leadership

### WORD

(20 MINUTES)

<sup>26</sup>*It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,*  
<sup>27</sup>*and whoever would be first among you must be your slave . . ."* **MATTHEW 20:26,27**

*I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.* **ROMANS 12:1**

<sup>15</sup>*Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.* **EPHESIANS 5:15,16**

In Matthew 20, Jesus told His disciples that whoever wanted to be *great* among them should be a *servant* and a *slave*. For Christians, servant leadership should not be just a leadership style. No matter what our position or situation may be, we are supposed to serve. Paul appealed to the church in Rome to present their *bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, as spiritual worship*. Given a world where rulers exercise authority and lord it over others, our lives should run counter-culture (Matthew 20:25).

Servant leadership begins where we are, whether or not we have a title or position. Paul tells the church in Ephesus to make *the best use of the time, because the days are evil*. When we actively serve, we are making the best use of the time we are given to honor God. At home, work, or in our studies, we serve by being faithful in everything we do, without entitlement or complaint. When it comes to leadership roles, especially in our Victory groups, we serve by our willingness to listen, share life, and model servanthood in our everyday lives. Servant leadership does not change with our style of leadership; leadership itself is service.

### DISCUSSION

(50 MINUTES)

1. What is one area of servant leadership you struggle with? What is something you can do to grow in this area starting today?
2. How can you encourage those in your Victory group to dwell upon the Word and exemplify servant leadership wherever they are?
3. How will servant leadership open doors for you to engage your family members, colleagues, and classmates with the gospel? Share about someone you can engage by serving them in your situation and position.

### PRAYER

(20 MINUTES)

1. Thank God for sending Jesus *not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom* for you. Pray that in every situation, like Him, you will also desire to serve instead of being served.
2. Pray that those in your Victory group will present their bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God. Pray that they will serve well in their various roles and positions.
3. Pray that you and those in your Victory group will make the best use of the time, redeeming it by serving in every capacity. Pray that these acts of service will open doors for you to engage your family, colleagues, and classmates with the gospel.



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This guide is designed to be used in leadership groups, for Victory group leaders to grow in discipleship and leadership development. The goal of these ninety-minute leadership group meetings is a discussion of the Word and its practical application as leaders.