12 – Mark 10:32-52 – What do you want me to do for you?

"What would you like me to do for you ... ask me to do anything you would like?"

What would you like Jesus to do for you?

On the way to Jerusalem

... this astonishes the disciples and a larger group of followers are afraid.

... they will hand Jesus over to the Gentiles, who will treat him terribly then kill him.

... after 3 days he will rise

Isaiah 53 ... a servant who would give his life as a ransom for many.

The disciple's question

Mark 10:35 ... "Teacher, they ask, we want you to do for us whatever we ask".

They want to sit at his left and his right in his kingdom in glory.

... fail in their understanding of Jesus

... failed to understand what discipleship looks like.

... their vision of Jesus was still very blurry.

To be with Jesus means suffering, like Jesus.

... 10 disciples were really angry

Mark 8:34-38 "'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 35 For whoever wants to save their life[a] will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. 36 What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? 37 Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? 38 If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels.

Mark 10:42-45, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. 43 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. 45 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.'"

Greatness in God's kingdom is all about being a servant, a slave of all.

Mark 10:45 "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."

... the words of Isaiah 53:11-12 being applied to Jesus' mission by Jesus.

The blind bloke who understands

"Jesus, son of David, Have mercy on me"

"What do you want me to do for you?"

This man understands more about Jesus the Son of David and being a disciple, than his disciples do.

For us today

1) The problem of Worldly Greatness

We have a problem with worldly greatness.

2) Kingdom greatness

... to pursue kingdom greatness in the home.

Husbands love your wife as Christ loved the church.

Wives, offer you submit to your husbands out of reverence for God.

If you are not married ...

If you are parents or grand parents ...

Do they see you serving Jesus and do they experience you serving Jesus.

Kingdom greatness should be seen as work as well.

... our church family

My one thing