Greatest of All Time

To Be Great, Let Go

The temptation to fall back into measuring greatness according to the standards of the world is powerful. And when we see the good that others have and have accomplished, it can be easy to fall into comparison, jealousy, and envy. We can be afraid that we are not enough because another has more. But Jesus reveals that His greatest moment is the moment He held on to the least.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Would people describe you as a competitive person? In what way? Why might they say this?
- 2. Jealousy says, "I don't have enough. I want what they have." Envy says, "Because I don't have what they have, I am not enough." Have you been in a situation where you have felt like someone else's greatness or giftedness took away from your own? Please share.
- 3. Admiration is a quickness to recognize and take joy in the specialness of someone else. Do you find that being grateful for or celebrating someone else's gifts can be difficult for you sometimes? Can you please give an example?
- 4. The goal of our life is to be a saint. But we can be content with allowing obstacles to get in my way of that goal. Do you have a willingness to part with anything that is getting in your way of being a saint? Why or why not?
- 5. To be living in ultimate freedom means that there is nothing in my life that I am unwilling or unable to let go of if it keeps me from Jesus. Is there something in your life that you are unwilling to hand over to Him? Please discuss.
- 6. To be great means that you will need to be patient with yourself, but ruthless with your environment. What is one way that you can be ruthless with your environment? What needs to change within it for you to be closer to Christ?

God in Real Life

The moment that Jesus reveals His greatness is the moment that He is most obviously clinging to the least. What is one obstacle in your life that you are clinging to that you can hand over to Jesus? Being specific, hand it over in prayer.

To the Heart

But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets! Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!" Numbers 11:29