

BACKSTAGE CHRISTIANITY

Matthew 20:20-28
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INTRO:

A. THE MINDSET OF SERVING

1. We serve according to **connections** (v. 20a)
2. We serve according to **manipulations** (v. 20b)
3. We serve according to **expectations** (v. 21)

B. THE MEANING OF SERVING

1. Being a **slave** for Christ (v. 27)
2. Being a **servant** to others (v. 28)

C. THE MEASURE OF SERVING

1. Serving Christ requires surrendering my **privilege** (v. 20)
2. Serving Christ means backing down on my **preferences** (v. 21-22)
3. Serving Christ is not about the **position** (v. 21-22)
4. Serving Christ needs **preparation** (v. 23)
5. Serving Christ is yielding my **place** of power (v. 25-26)

CONCLUSION

"He is no fool to give what he cannot keep, to get what he cannot lose."

(Jim Elliot)