



1. Introduction

a. Context (vs 17:5-6)

- disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith
- Jesus gives example of even a little faith as small as mustard seed

b. Faith involves obedience to the master (vs. 7-9)

c. What is courageous? acting bravely

- Forgiveness: takes courage to give forgiveness
 - * because someone offended you
 - * they may hurt you again

d. This entire group of Scripture is about faithful

- God is faithful to always love us
- God is always faithful to forgive
- God is always faithful to forever stay with Christian
- God asks Christian to be faithful in obedience

2. Faithful in Service

a. Worker or servant hired to do work

- not hired to visit or sit around

b. Worker required to finish their job first

- 2 c. Worker eats their meals on their own time
 - breakfast before work
 - lunch not on company time
 - * lunch time off the clock
 - dinner after work
- d. Worker is paid his wages
 - work is not done to receive a "thank you"
3. Jesus Master & Servant (Jn 13)
 - a. At Last Supper, Jesus began to wash His disciples' feet
 - b. Jesus teaches them
 - "You call Me Master & Lord (13:13)"
 - c. Jesus showed Himself as example
 - you also should wash each others' feet (servant work) (13:14)
 - servant is not greater than than his Lord (13:16)
 - I have given you an example (13:15)
 - d. Conclusion: he who greatest among you shall be your servant (Mt 23:11)
4. Christian Service
 - a. Attitude of humility (Mt 23:12)
 - whoever exalts themselves shall be abased (brought low)
 - he who shall humble themselves shall be exalted
 - b. Christian works doing your duty
 - God gives more grace (James 4:6)
 - God gives grace to the humble
 - c. Humble yourself (James 4:10)
 - humble yourself in God's sight
 - God will lift you up
 - d. Takes courage & faith to serve others
 - Christian duty (Ps 40:8)