

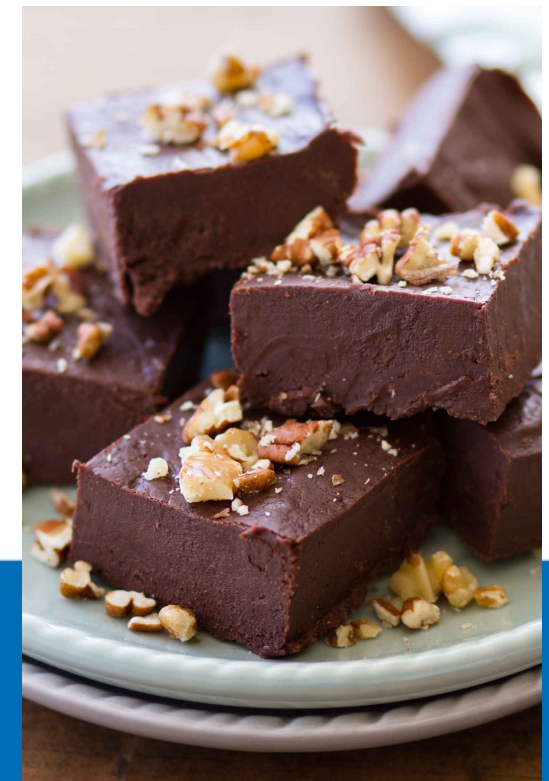
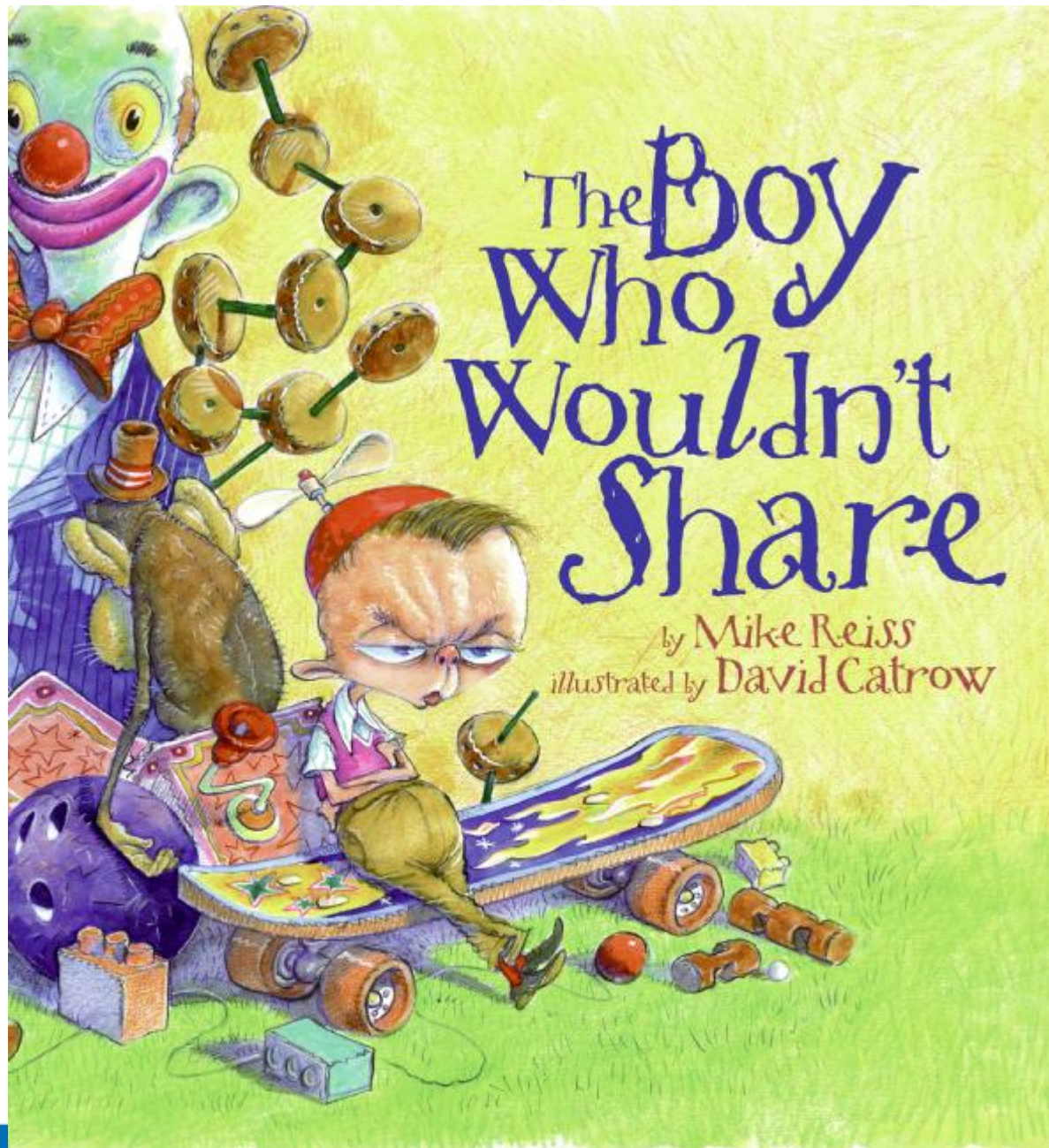
So you want to be great huh?

# GREATNESS

Matthew 20:20-28

God Over Me Sermon Series

# What happens when it is all about me?





**“With God,  
the way up  
is down.”**

*James Macdonald*

[ JAMES 4:10 ]

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# The Bottom Line

The way up is down  
If you want to be  
great  
you must become a  
servant

20 Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came up to him with her sons, and kneeling before him she asked him for something.

21 And he said to her, “What do you want?” She said to him, “Say that these two sons of mine are to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.”

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Matthew 20:20–28

22 Jesus answered, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am to drink?” They said to him, “We are able.”

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23 He said to them, “You will drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.”

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24 And when the ten heard it,  
they were indignant at the two  
brothers.

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25 But Jesus called them to him and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.

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26 It shall not be so among you.  
But whoever would be great  
among you must be your servant,

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27 and whoever would be first  
among you must be your slave,

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28 even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

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# Serving allows us to

DISCOVER and develop our spiritual gifts

CONNECT to a deeper purpose

EXPERIENCE richer relationships with God and others



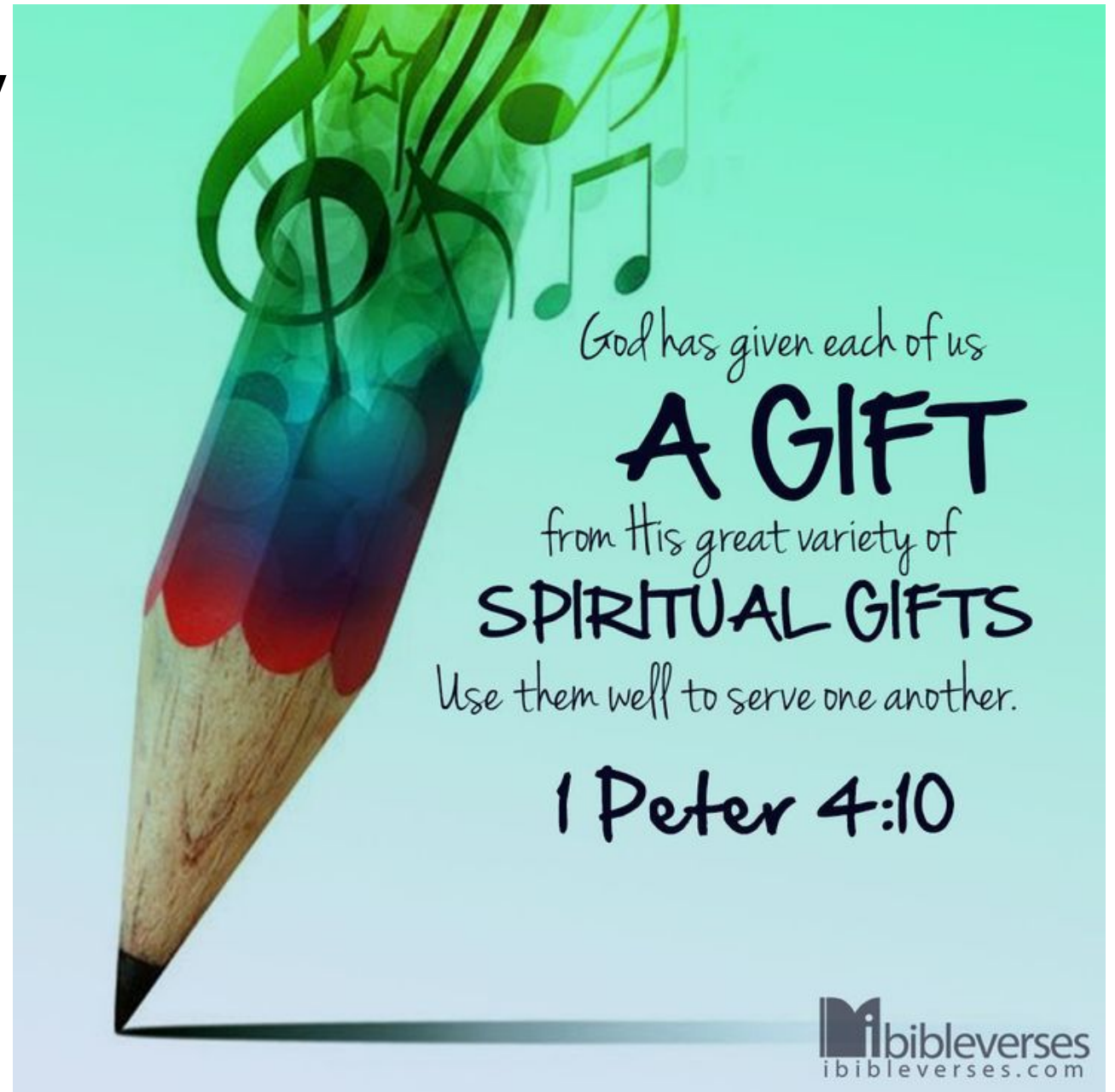
*Being God's hands and feet*

Priorities for serv

God's glory

Love for others

Eternal reward



Find a place to serve



Those who don't deserve it

Those who can't return the favor

In the local church



Humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less.

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