# Sermon Study | modgniK Not to Us | Matthew 10:41-45 November 10, 2019

## Warm-up Question: What 'important' job would you like to have for a day?

\*Note to Leaders: Spend some time reading these verses together as a group. Maybe read them out loud or in a few different versions. Or print off the Scripture and take time as a group to underline and circle certain repeated words or things that stand out to you. You may also want to start off or end your time by checking in on anything that stood out from the sermon in general and/or the Daily Bible Readings over the course of the week!

Great people give their lives away. The world clamors and claws for power, recognition, position, and title. Jesus says, "Not so with you." You live with a different set of kingdom values. If you can do this, we'll all get a healthier you, a healthier marriage, healthier kids, healthier work environment, a healthier team, a healthier church.

#### Read I Samuel 18:5-9

- Describe the mood or atmosphere of Israel after David kills Goliath in verses 5-7. Saul, however, is not celebrating. What reason does Saul give for his anger in verse 8?
- Are you facing a similar situation in your own life (in what ways do you identify more with David or Saul)?
- Aaron challenged us to ask three questions: What are my aspirations (note: aspirations are not always bad! David's aspirations were for God's glory)? What are my motivations? Am I making this about me?

#### Read Mark 9:33-35 and 10:35-45

- What similarities do you see in these two stories?
- How does Jesus flip the script of the world's values in 10:42-45?
- Do you ever find yourself in a similar place the disciples are in, constantly seeking to build your own platform instead of God's kingdom? Are you making too much about yourself? How can you celebrate others even when they have what you want? How can you love God and love people this week?

## Read Psalm 115:1 as a final tie-up and challenge for this week's message.

In this verse, the psalmist, twice says "not to us, O Lord." When you receive applause or
praise for something you excel in, is your main hope that you to receive glory or for God to
receive glory? This week, make a list of all the things you will do and write out how you can
reflect the image of God in those things, bringing glory to His name and not your own. Ask
for His help in this.

#### **REFLECT QUESTIONS**

What is God saying to you through His word? How and when will you respond?

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