

## WORD PICTURES OF THE CHURCH GREATNESS IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD

”Matthew 20:25–28 (NIV)

<sup>25</sup> Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. <sup>26</sup> Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>27</sup> and whoever wants to be first must be your slave—<sup>28</sup> just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

### TWO VIEW OF GREATNESS:

#### 1. The worlds view of greatness.

Greatness is at the "top."

*“lord it over”*

*“exercise authority”*

#### 2. The Lord's view of greatness.

Greatness is at the "bottom."

"servant" diakonos

~ translated as deacon, or minister

"slave" doulos [lit. bond slave]

A doulos is totally sold over into a relationship of another

Do we look for what people can do for us or what we can do for them.