

SHIFT: "The Comparison Trap"

Mark 9:33-37

I. Intro: Great, greater, greatest

II. In our chase for greatness, we have a self-destructive habit of _____ ourselves to _____

They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest. (Mark 9:33-34 NIV)

A. There's no _____ in comparison

And I saw that all toil and all achievement come from one person's envy of another. This also is vanity and a striving after wind. Better one handful with tranquility than two handfuls with toil and chasing after the wind. (Ecclesiastes 4:4, 6 NIV)

"If I find in myself _____ which nothing in this world can satisfy, the only logical explanation is that I was _____ for another world." (C.S. Lewis)

B. The tension: Living with an open _____ toward _____

It is better to be satisfied with what you have than to be always wanting something else. (Ecclesiastes 6:9 GNT)

III. Jesus teaches the disciples, _____ is core to greatness

"But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first among you must become your slave. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Matthew 20:26-28 NLT)

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