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SERMON TITLE:

“FOCUS WITH THE END IN MIND”

MARK 14:13-14

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SO. JESUS SENT TWO OF HIS DISCIPLES, TELLING THEM “GO INTO THE CITY, AND A MAN CARRYING A JAR OF WATER WILL MEET YOU. FOLLOW HIM,. SAY TO THE OWNER OF THE HOUSE HE ENTERS,

“ THE TEACHER ASK; WHERE IS
MY GUEST ROOM, FURNISHED
AND READY, MAKE
PREPARATION FOR US THERE.”

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

YOUR ATTITUDE SHOULD BE
THE SAME AS THAT OF CHRIST
JESUS: WHO BEING IN THE
VERY NATURE OF GOD, DID NOT
CONSIDER EQUALITY WITH GOD
SOMETHING TO BE GRASPED

BUT MADE HIMSELF NOTHING,
TAKING THE VERY NATURE AS
A SERVANT, BEING MADE IN
HUMAN LIKENESS. AND BEING
FOUND IN APPEARANCE AS A
MAN, HE HUMBLLED HIMSELF

AND BECAME OBEDIENT TO
DEATH EVEN DEATH ON THE
CROSS! THEREFORE GOD
EXALTED HIM TO A HIGH
PLACE AND GAVE HIM THE
NAME THAT IS ABOVE EVERY

NAME, THAT AT THE NAME OF
JESUS EVERY KNEE SHOULD BOW,
IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH AND
UNDER THE EARTH, AND EVERY
TONGUE CONFESS THAT JESUS
CHRIST IS LORD, TO THE GLORY OF
GOD THE FATHER.



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COMMENTARY

GOOD MORNING FRIENDS,
IT'S A GREAT DAY IN THE
KINGDOM! HOW MANY TIMES HAVE
WE READ THE STORY OF JESUS
RIDING INTO JERUSALEM. HOW SO
MANY HAILED HIM AND THOUGHT
HE WAS WONDERFUL. AT LEAST

UNTIL IT WAS TIME FOR THEM TO
STAND. JESUS MODELS WHAT IT
LOOKS LIKE TO FOCUS ON THE END
RESULTS INSTEAD OF HIS
PRESENT SITUATION. I KNOW YOU
KNOW WHAT IT FEELS LIKE TO
BECOME DISTRACTED AND YOUR

ATTITUDE IS GRAVELY
AFFECTED BY PEOPLE. IT'S
DIFFICULT TO FOCUS BECAUSE
OF ALL THE DISTRACTIONS
INWARDLY AS WELL AS
OUTWARDLY. BUT HERE IS THE
DEAL!! JESUS KEPT AN

ATTITUDE OF A SERVANT
HUMBLING HIMSELF BEFORE
THE FATHER AND GOD
EXALTED HIM DISPLAYING HIS
POWER. ARE THERE
DISTRACTIONS IN YOUR LIFE

THAT'S KEEPING YOU FROM
SEEING THE END? ARE YOU
FOCUSED ON THE END IN SPITE OF
RIGHT NOW? DO YOU KNOW THAT
GOD CAN EXALT YOU BECAUSE OF
YOUR OBEDIENCE TO HIM?

LIFE APPLICATION STATEMENT

WE SHOULD BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND
IN SPITE OF OPPOSITION MAINTAINING
FOCUS ON THE EXPECTED OUTCOME.



LIFE APPLICATION PRINCIPLES

1. WE SHOULD BEGIN OUR TASK WITH THE
END IN MIND.



LIFE APPLICATION PRINCIPLES

2. WE SHOULD LEARN HOW TO MINIMIZE THE DISTRACTION IN OUR LIVES.



LIFE APPLICATION PRINCIPLES

3. WE MUST LEARN HOW TO MAINTAIN OUR FOCUS IN THE EXPECTED OUTCOME.



LIFE APPLICATION CONCLUSION

LIKE JESUS, THE HUMBLE WILL BE EXALTED IN DUE SEASON IF YOU DO NOT FAINT.





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