



the disciples of Jesus

part 9 the gospel
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Luke 9:46–56 (NIV)

⁴⁶ An argument started among the disciples as to which of them would be the greatest. ⁴⁷ Jesus, knowing their thoughts, took a little child and had him stand beside him. ⁴⁸ Then he said to them, “Whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. For it is the one who is least among you all who is the greatest.”

⁴⁹ “Master,” said John, “we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we tried to stop him, because he is not one of us.”

⁵⁰ “Do not stop him,” Jesus said, “for whoever is not against you is for you.”

⁵¹ As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; ⁵³ but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, “Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?” ⁵⁵ But Jesus turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then he and his disciples went to another village.

1. _____ Christianity

The greatest enemy of _____ is _____.

2. Being _____

_____ wants to get our eyes off of _____ and focus on _____ when Jesus wants us to get our eyes off of _____ and focus on _____!

Additional Passages Used Today

Romans 12:13; Hebrews 13:2; Philippians 1:15–18





DISCUSSION OUTLINE | WEEK OF 11.2.14

1. What is the one thing you are best at doing?
2. In verses 46-50, how are the disciples gauging “greatness”? How does Jesus do so?
3. In John’s concern in v. 49 what is the root desire? (irony v. 40)
4. How does Jesus meet resistance in vv. 50-56?
 - a. Why from the Samaritans? Why from his own disciples?
 - b. How must Jesus be feeling by now?
5. What have you done recently “in Jesus name”?
6. How has your picture of greatness changed from childhood till now?
7. What obstacles might you be leaving up that hinder outsiders feeling welcome in the faith?

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