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# THE UPSIDE-DOWN KINGDOM



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**UPSIDE-DOWN?**

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**KINGDOM?**





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**KINGDOM?**  
**= KING + DOMAIN**  
**(Authority, Reign, Power & Dominion)**

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**KINGDOM OF GOD  
VS  
OF THIS WORLD**



**GOD-VIEW  
WORLD-VIEW**

**CULTURE  
VALUES  
RULES**





**The Lord has established His  
throne in the heavens, and His  
kingdom rules over all.**

Psalm 103:19 ESV

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**WHO IS  
YOUR LORD?**

**WORK  
FINANCE  
TIME  
RELATIONSHIP**

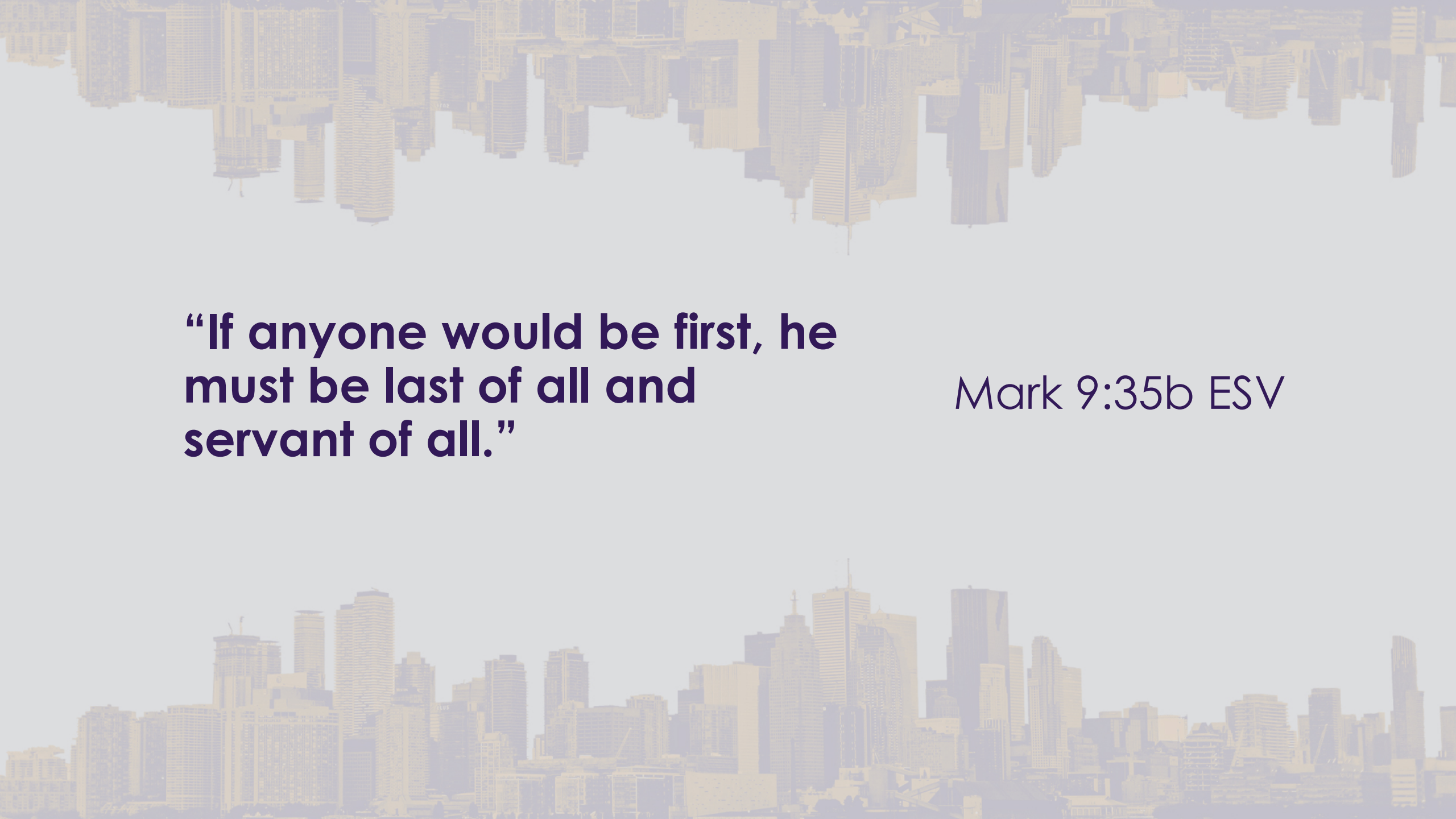


**#1 : FIRST VS LAST**  
**#2 : WEAKNESS VS**  
**STRENGTH**

**#3 : DEATH VS LIFE**  
**#4 : HEAVENLY VS**  
**EARTHLY TREASURES**

# FIRST VS LAST





**“If anyone would be first, he  
must be last of all and  
servant of all.”**

Mark 9:35b ESV







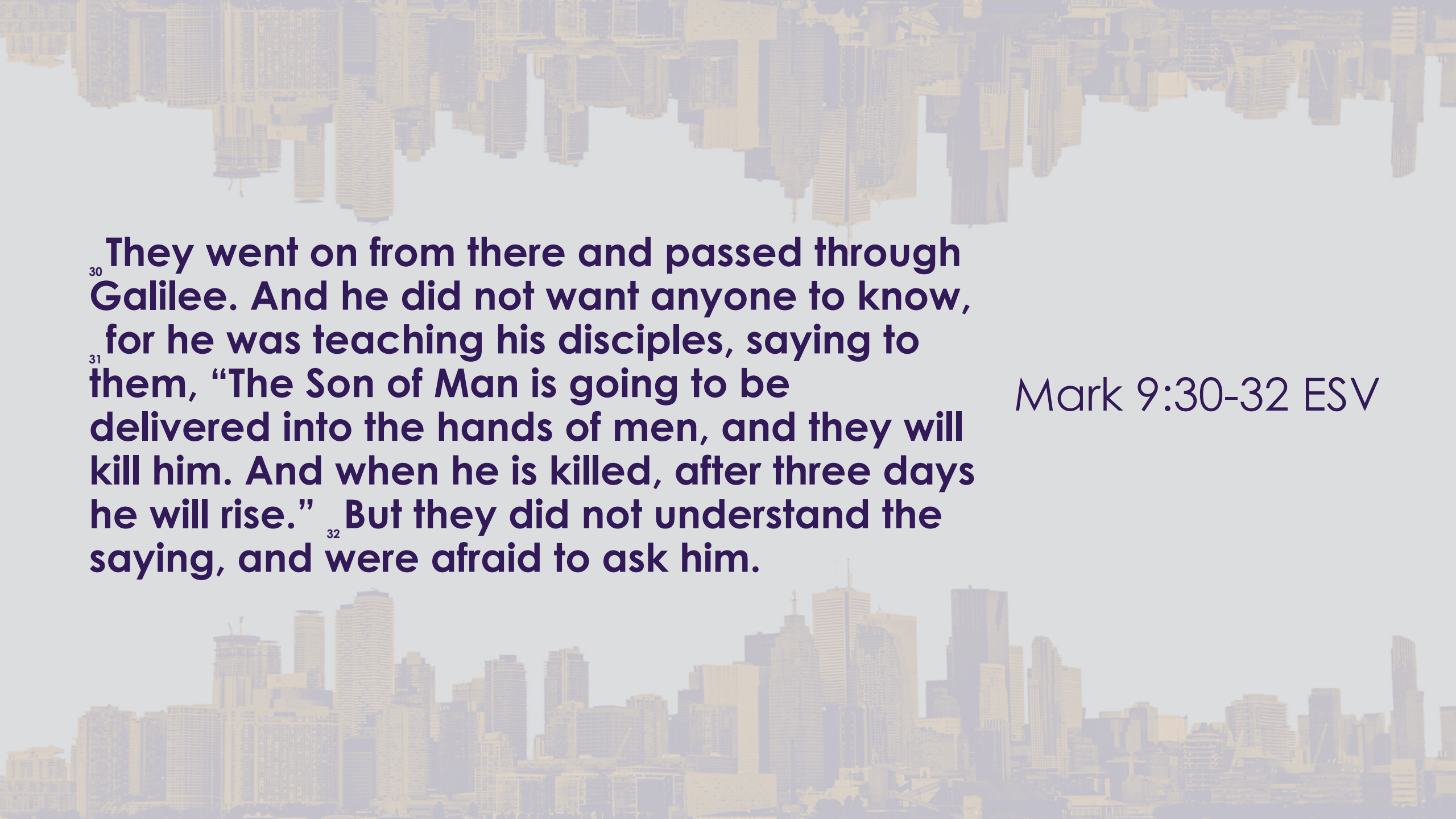


# Mark 9:30-37

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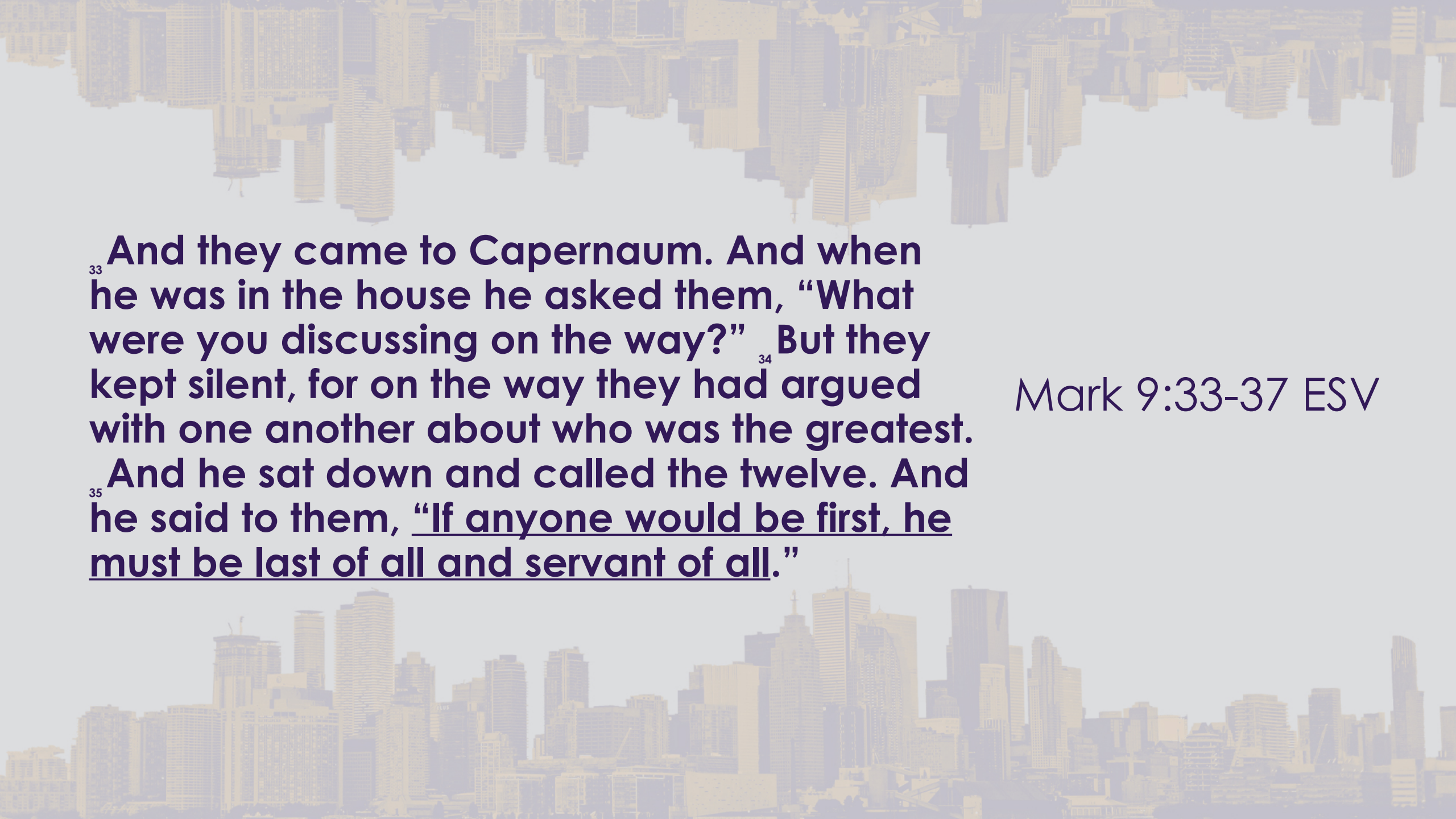
[Matthew 18:1-6] &

[Luke 22:24-27]



<sup>30</sup> They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, for he was teaching his disciples, saying to <sup>31</sup> them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” <sup>32</sup> But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

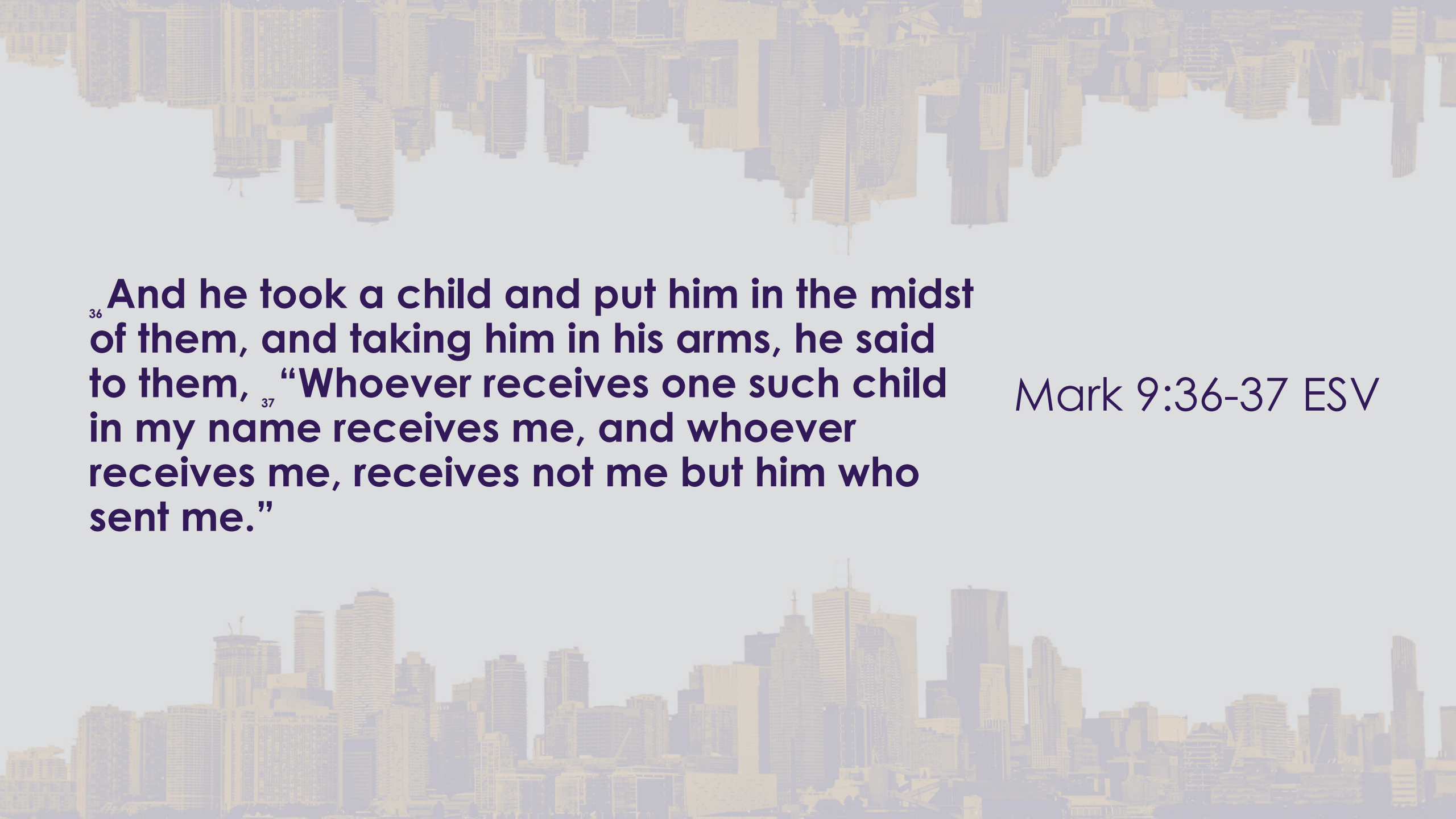
Mark 9:30-32 ESV



<sup>33</sup> And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued <sup>34</sup> with one another about who was the greatest.

Mark 9:33-37 ESV

<sup>35</sup> And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.”



**And he took a child and put him in the midst  
<sup>36</sup> of them, and taking him in his arms, he said  
to them, <sup>37</sup> “Whoever receives one such child  
in my name receives me, and whoever  
receives me, receives not me but him who  
sent me.”**

Mark 9:36-37 ESV



# #1 | LAST OF ALL

<sup>35</sup> And he sat down  
and called the  
twelve. And he said  
to them, "If anyone  
would be first, he  
must be **last of all...**

Mark 9:35b









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# PRIDE VS HUMILITY

Putting ourselves higher than others; seeking to be the most important person and getting the most recognition.

Putting others first than self; Humility is not thinking less (degrading) of ourselves but thinking of ourselves less.

Humility is recognising that everyone has value and that serving others is important.



# #2 | SERVANT OF ALL

<sup>35</sup> *And he sat down  
and called the  
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to them, "If anyone  
would be first, he  
must be last of all  
and servant of all.*

*Mark 9:35*



**WHAT  
CAN I  
GET?**

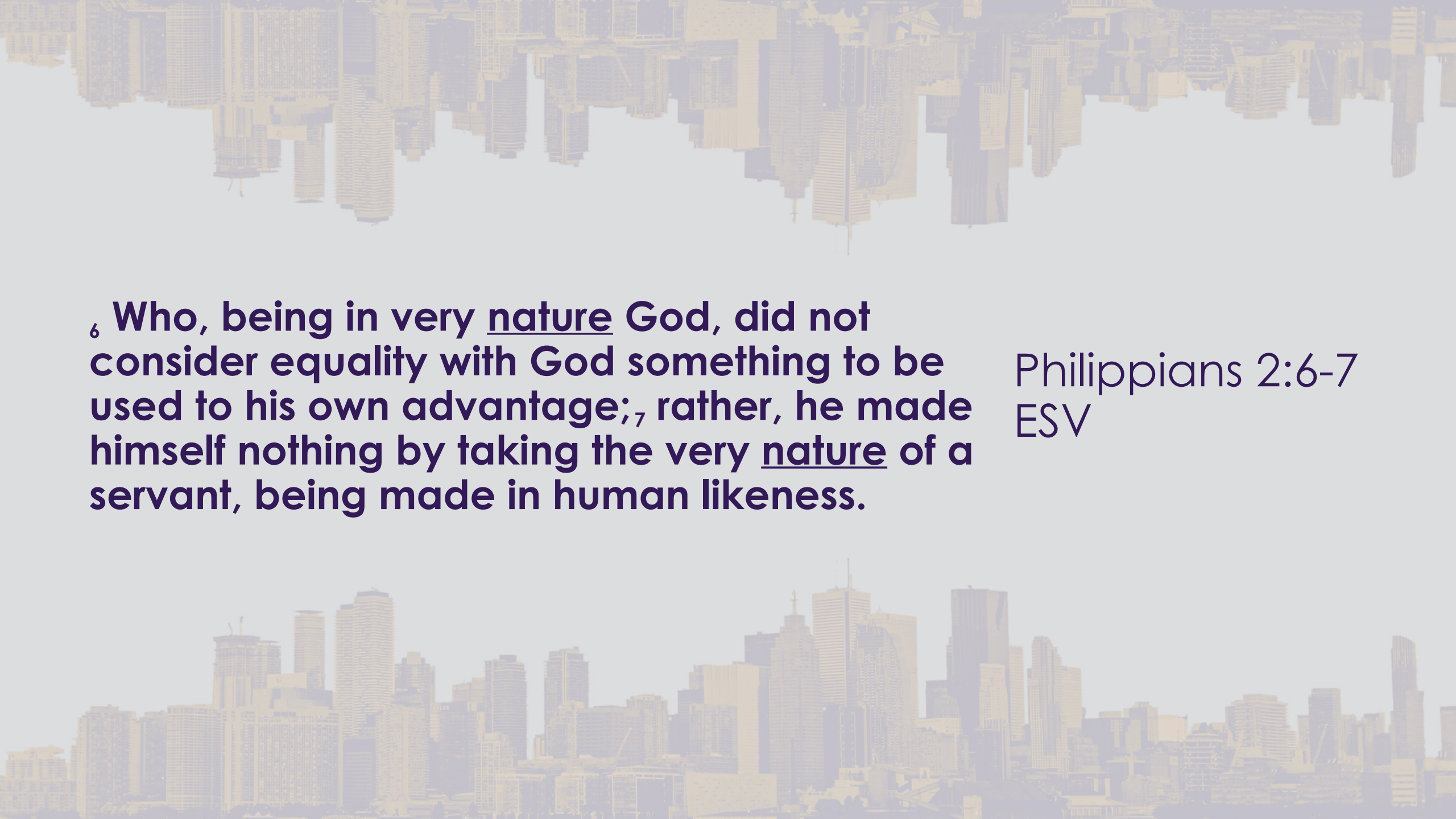
**VS**

**HOW  
CAN I  
SERVE?**

club, company, community, church?



**TRUE GREATNESS IS NOT  
HOW MANY SERVE YOU  
BUT HOW ARE YOU  
SERVING OTHERS**



**6 Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;7 rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.**

Philippians 2:6-7  
ESV

<sup>12</sup> When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, “Do you understand what I have done to you?

<sup>13</sup> You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. <sup>14</sup> If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

John 13:12-17 ESV





<sup>15</sup> For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.

<sup>16</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant <sup>[a]</sup> is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him.

<sup>17</sup> If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

John 13:15-17 ESV





# #3 | RECEIVE ALL

<sup>35</sup> And “Whoever **receives** one such child in my name **receives** me, and whoever **receives** me, **receives** not me but him who sent me.”

Mark 9:37

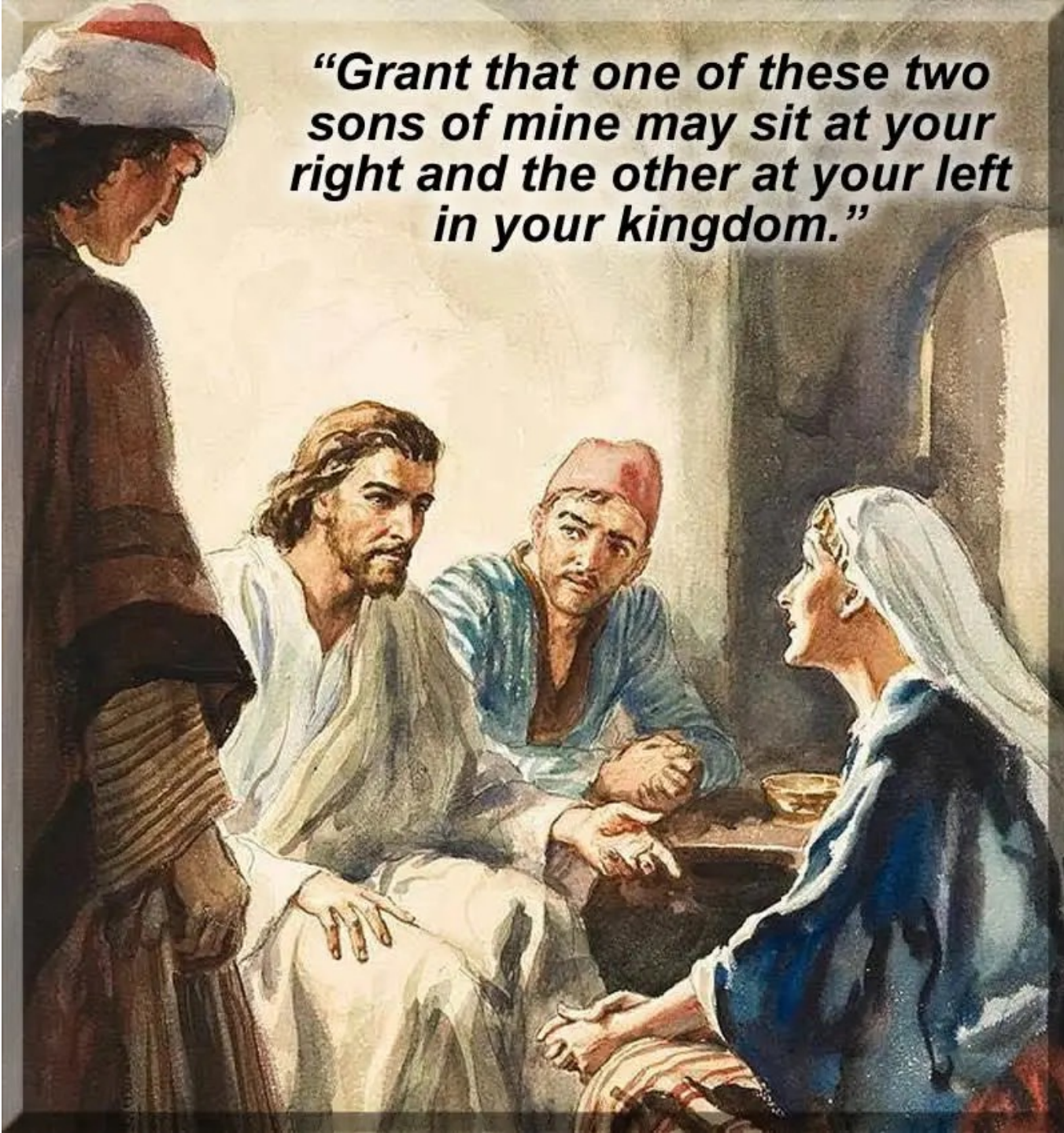
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Mark 9:36-37 ESV





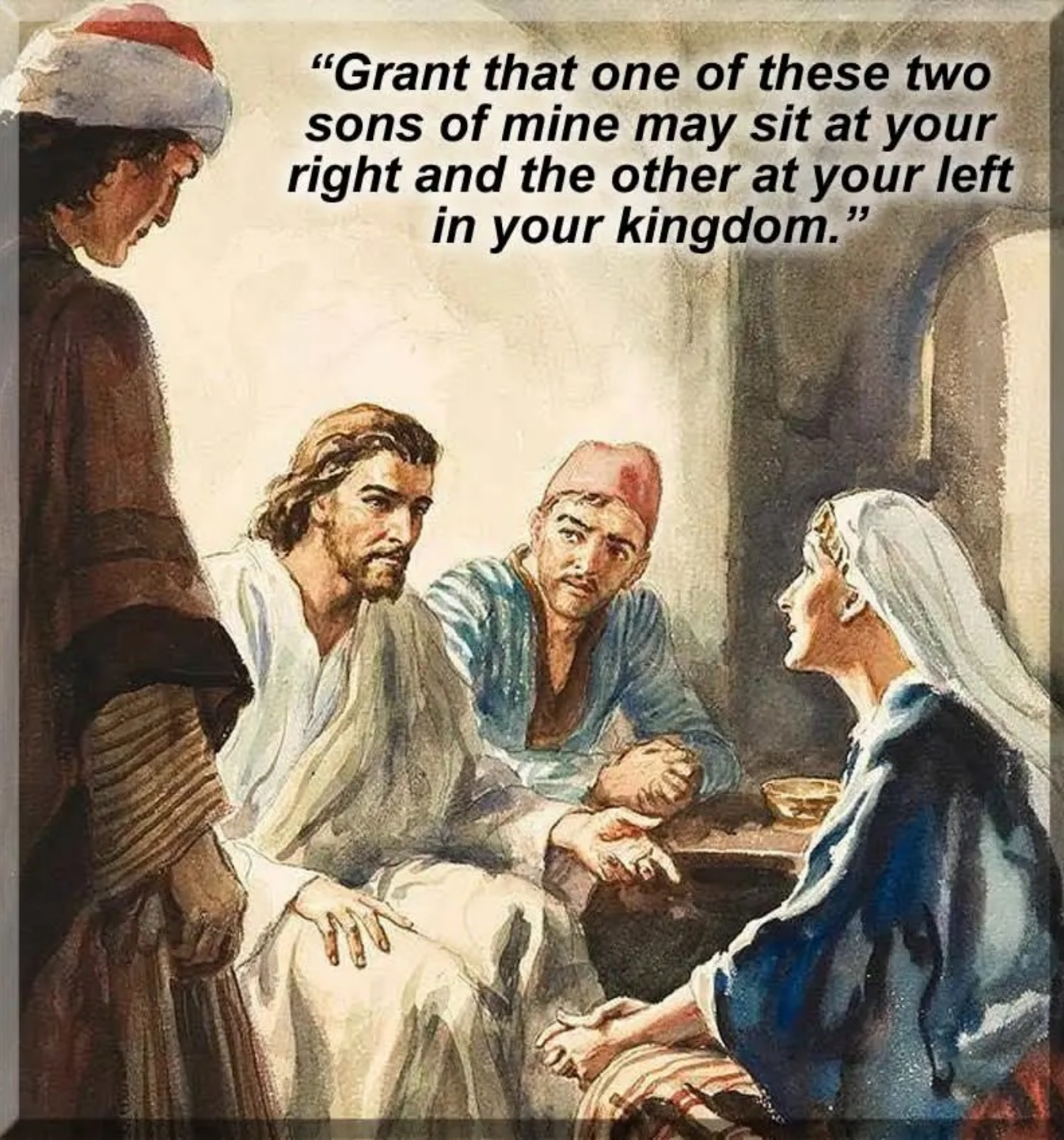
***“Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom.”***



**<sup>42</sup> And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.**

**<sup>43</sup> But it shall not be so among you.**

Mark 10:42-45 ESV



***“Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom.”***

**But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,<sup>44</sup> and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.**

**<sup>45</sup>For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”**

Mark 10:42-45 ESV



# HOLY COMMUNION



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