Pastor Will Sohnchen Sermon Outline – September 16, 2007 Living Beyond Myself - Part 2 "The Profile of a Servant."

"Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask." "What do you want me to do for you?" he asked. They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory." "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?" "We can," they answered. Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared." When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Mark 10:35-45

The Profile of a Servant:

1. Servants understand who

"Let him who boasts boast in the Lord. For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved but the one whom the Lord commends."

2. Servants do their best ____

"If you wait for perfect conditions, you will never get any thing done."

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (NLT)

3. Servants lead with

"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus... who took on himself the very nature of a servant.

Philippians 2: 5 &7

Servants lead out of relationships, not by coercion."

Servants lead by support, not by control.

Servants lead by developing others, not by doing all the ministry themselves."

Servants guide people, not drive them.

Servants lead from love, not domination.

Servants seek growth, not position.

4. Servants pay attention _____

"Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers."