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2 Ways to Leverage Influence:

Option 1. Use position to serve yourself

- **Financially**
- **Emotionally**
- **Politically**

Matthew 20:25

But Jesus called them to him and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.

This leads to:

- **High expectations**
- **Lack of gratitude**
- **Complaining**

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Option 2. Sacrifice position to serve others

Matthew 20:26-28

It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

“We all know that the character of a faithful servant or slave implies. Devotion to the master’s interests; thoughtful study and care to please him; delight in his prosperity and honour and happiness.”

Andrew Murray

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Servants are:

- **Countercultural**
- **Sacrificial**
- **Mission Oriented**

Daniel 7:14

And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

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Two Things We Find Hard to Sacrifice:

- 1. Time**
- 2. Money**

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Application:

Am I a giver or a taker?

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Matthew 20:20

Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came up to him with her sons, and kneeling before him she asked him for something.

Matthew 20:21

And he said to her, “What do you want?” She said to him, “Say that these two sons of mine are to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.”

Matthew 20:22

Jesus answered, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am to drink?” They said to him, “We are able.”

Matthew 20:23

He said to them, “You will drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.”

Matthew 20:24-25

And when the ten heard it, they were indignant at the two brothers.

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