

The Pilgrimage of Discipleship

Service – A Compassionate Master

Psalm 123 – Pastor JD Winters – Sunday, March 9, 2025

**Serving God exchanges _____ masters for a
_____ King.**

- Romans 6:15-18; Matthew 11:28-30

**Serving God starts with a _____ recognition of
status.**

- Ecclesiastes 5:2

Serving God is joyfully following Jesus' _____.

- Philippians 2:5-8; John 13:12-17; Acts 5:40-42

**Serving God means actively _____ and living in
_____ of mercy.**

- 2 Samuel 24:14; Lamentations 3:19-31; Hebrews 4:14-16

Questions for Further Discussion:

(Great for Life Groups, family devotionals, or with a friend)

1. Have you "had it up to here" with the powers of this world? Where do you see oppression, contempt, and arrogance on display?
2. What does freedom mean to you? In what ways can people be truly free and what kinds of freedom should we be pursuing? In what ways are we always slaves to something?
3. What does it mean to be looking up to God on his heavenly throne? How can you practice looking to God's hand regularly? What would you have to take your attention away from to pay attention to his direction and discipline?
4. How does serving God in humility prepare us to serve others as Christ did? Do you ever put yourself in the position of master and treat Jesus like the servant?
5. Read Lamentations 3:19-31. When you pray, do you expect mercy? Is your life a consistent upward flow of prayer and petition and a downward flow of His mercy? How does (or how would) a life like that look?