

“A Call to Greatness”

Matthew 18:1-4, Mark 9:33-37, Ruth 1:6-18; 2:1-9, 14-19; 3:9-14; 4:1-17

Many times we equate greatness with fame, fortune and power. However, God's definition of greatness is not the same as that of the world. The world looks for outward beauty, special skill, or other obvious traits when it wants to describe someone as great. People judge by the outside, but the LORD looks at the heart. (1 Samuel 16:7). So how do we know when we have attained greatness in God's eyes?

1. An Explanation of Greatness (Matt. 18:1-4, Mark 9:33-37)

- Be Converted
- Be Humble
- Be Servant of All

2. An Example of Greatness (Ruth)

- Ruth Was Converted (Ruth 1:6-28)
- Ruth Was Humble (Ruth 2:1-7)
- Ruth Was A Servant (Ruth 2:5-7)

3. An Exaltation of Greatness

- Boaz Elevates Ruth (Ruth 2:8-9)
- Boaz Protects Ruth (Ruth 2:14-16)
- Boaz Blesses Ruth (Ruth 2:17-19)
- Boaz Honors Ruth (Ruth 3:9-11)
- Boaz Redeems Ruth (Ruth 4:1-6)
- Others Are Blessed (Ruth 4:11-17)