

## House On The Rock Life Group Study outline

### July: Repositioning for Greatness

#### Introduction

What comes to mind when we think of greatness? Superior, better, higher, stronger – whatever measure that we use to identify success; greatness seems to demand that we excel at these. Great mountains are the tallest ones, great warriors usually the bravest, and great men and women are the biggest achievers of their time, deemed worthy of the utmost respect and admiration. Of course, this is all the human perspective, as the world sees it. Is the Christian perspective any different? Is greatness in God's eyes a race to the top, where those with the most pronounced abilities are approved?

#### Pilot text

***[Matt 18:1-4](#)*** *1 At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" 2 Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, 3 and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. 4 Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.*

#### ***Week 1 – Greatness in God's kingdom***

- What does greatness mean to you? [Open discussion]
- The link between greatness and culture
  - [Jer 9:23-24](#), [2 Cor 10:17](#), [Phil 2:5-11](#), [Matt 23:12](#), [1 Pet 5:6](#), [Matt 20:25-28](#)
- Let's consider the last scripture of [Matt 20:25-28](#). In your view:
  - Is it wrong to desire greatness?
  - What does it mean to be a servant to others?
- Understanding what you do now about greatness, what would you say is our starting point?
- Take home actions
  - Study the life of Moses to learn about greatness in his life, and we will be discussing this next week.

#### **Note:**

Please send any questions you have about this study directly to your Life Group coordinator, or submit online using the feedback form at <http://bit.ly/lifeclassefb>