

AMPT 30 AUGUST 2020

JESUS THE SERVANT

Welcome to Ampt with Ruth.

Let's pray. Dear Lord Jesus, we thank you for the example that you set for us of serving and caring for others. Please help us to understand the Bible passage today and to put it into practice. Amen

INTRODUCTION

If you were very good at a sport and in fact were the captain of your team, I wonder how you would feel about being asked to cut up fruit for the half time break or put the equipment away at the end of the game?

Might you feel that wasn't your job?

Jesus is God's Son; let's see what He had to say about keeping humble and serving others.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tS8X_QavHoo



MATTHEW 20: 20-28 A MOTHER'S REQUEST OF JESUS

²⁰ The mother of James and John came to Jesus with her two sons. She knelt down and started begging him to do something for her. ²¹ Jesus asked her what she wanted, and she said, "When you come into your kingdom, please let one of my sons sit at your right side and the other at your left."

²² Jesus answered, "Not one of you knows what you are asking. Are you able to drink from the cup that I must soon drink from? James and John said, "Yes, we are!"

²³ Jesus replied, "You certainly will drink from my cup! But it isn't for me to say who will sit at my right side and at my left. That is for my Father to say."

²⁴ When the ten other disciples heard this, they were angry with the two brothers.

²⁵ But Jesus called the disciples together and said:

You know that foreign rulers like to order their people around. And their great leaders have full power over everyone they rule. ²⁶ But don't act like them. If you want to be great, you must be the servant of all the others. ²⁷ And if you want to be first, you must be the slave of the rest. ²⁸ The Son of Man did not come to be a slave master, but a slave who will give his life to rescue many people.

QUESTIONS

1. What did the mother of James and John ask Jesus? Verse 21
2. Who did Jesus say are the greatest in His Kingdom? Verse 26
3. What did Jesus come to earth for? Verse 28
4. Think of a way that you can secretly serve someone in your family. For example, take out the rubbish, do the dishes when your parents aren't watching or be helpful without being asked.
5. What does the memory verse teach us about serving?

MEMORY VERSE

Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men. Ephesians 6:7

PRAYER

Dear Lord Jesus, we thank you that you came to serve us and to take the punishment for the wrong things that we do, so that we can be forgiven. Please help us to look for ways that we can show your love by serving and helping others. Amen.

SERVANT HEADBAND CRAFT

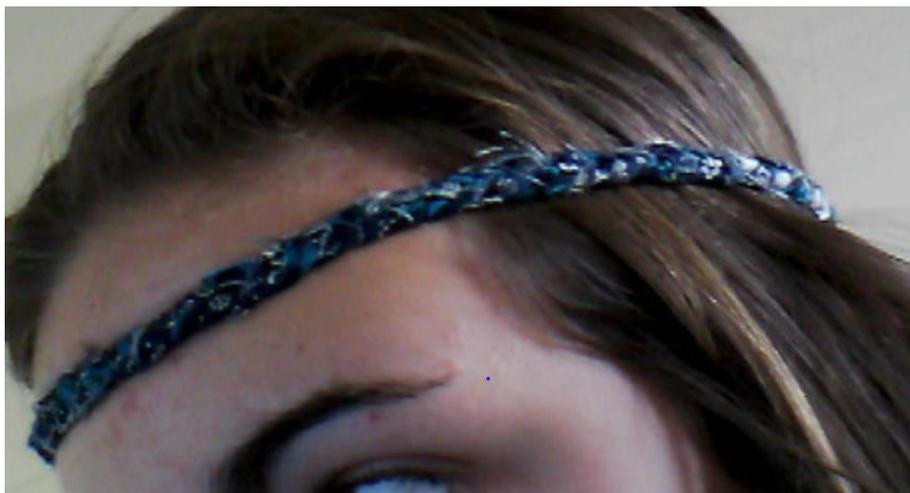
Materials - string **or** wool **or** strips of material, an old tee shirt cut into strips 4 cm wide would work well.

You will need three lengths each 45 cm long.

Ask someone to help by holding one end of the three cords, tie a knot in the end that they are holding.

Plait the three cords together and knot the other end when finished.

Use the headband OR a bandana as a reminder to pray that God will bless the person you secretly serve/help in your family this week.



Attitude Matters

How does God desire us to serve him and others? Search for the following words hidden in the puzzle.

CARE, KIND, HELP, LOVE, SERVE, BLESS, AID, SUPPORT

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V	V	Q	B	N	T	R
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