

Nothing Small About It!

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The soul-saving message of Jesus Christ is accompanied by tremendous greatness! People lost in sin and setting in spiritual darkness would see “a **great** light” (Matt. 4:16). “**Great** multitudes” followed Jesus as He taught them and worked miracles to confirm the gospel (Matt. 4:25). Those who became His disciples were persecuted, but Jesus praised them and said, “**great** is your reward in heaven” (Matt. 5:12). To a few special ones Jesus praised their faith and called it “great” (Matt. 8:10; 15:28).

So you want to be **great** in the kingdom of heaven? Then “*whoever does and teaches them (commandments) shall be called **great***” (Matt. 5:19). “*...But whoever desires to become **great** among you, let him be your **servant***” (Matt. 20:26). Here is the lesson of this little article. **Service to others equals greatness with God.**

The apostles had the “*treasure*” of the gospel message within their bodies (“*earthen vessels*”), and yet were hounded and persecuted unto death (2 Cor. 4:7). In doing so, they were great with God and despised among men. Great was their service.

Do not wait for some great thing to come along whereby you may serve the Lord! Tabitha “*was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did*” (Acts 9:36). And what were some of these great things? Luke tells us that she spent her time making “*tunics and garments*” for the widows in her community! “*He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much...*” (Lk. 16:10). God doesn’t want to know what you would do for Him if you had a million dollars. He wants to know what you will do for Him with the \$50 you have in your pocket.

Dear reader, are you looking for someone to serve? Are you looking to give out a cup of cold water for His Name’s sake? If so, then you shall be called great because you served your brethren in humility. God bless you for your service.

No, *there is nothing small about Jesus Christ and His soul-saving message.* Everything surrounding it is encompassed in greatness. That is because it is a **great** message, with **great** reward, and the choices men make regarding it have **great** consequences.

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